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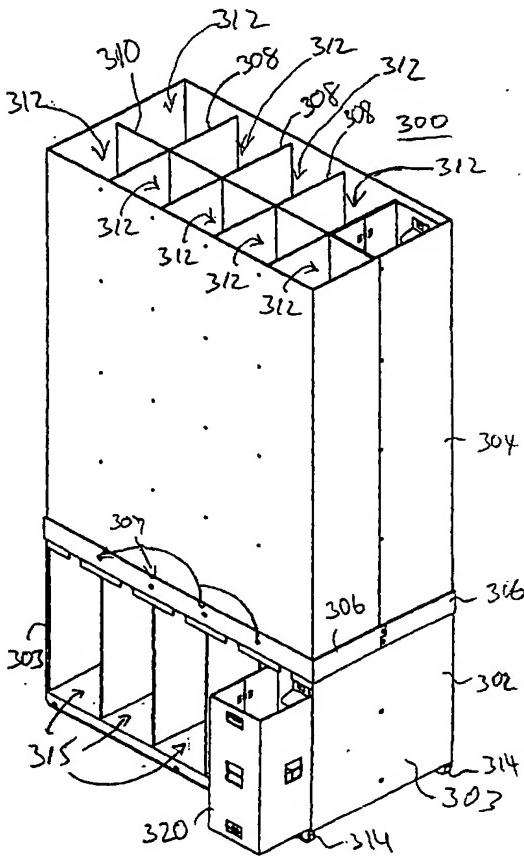
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(54) Title: ARTICLE STORAGE MAGAZINE FOR AN ARTICLE HANDLING DEVICE



(57) Abstract: An article handling apparatus having an article storage area (215) includes a movable storage structure (219). The movable storage structure (219) has a bin segment guidance structure to form a plurality of axially aligned article storage columns (216). The guidance structure includes a receiving device providing individual coupling to article storage bin segments (1202) so as to allow grouping of bin segments into the plurality of aligned article storage columns.

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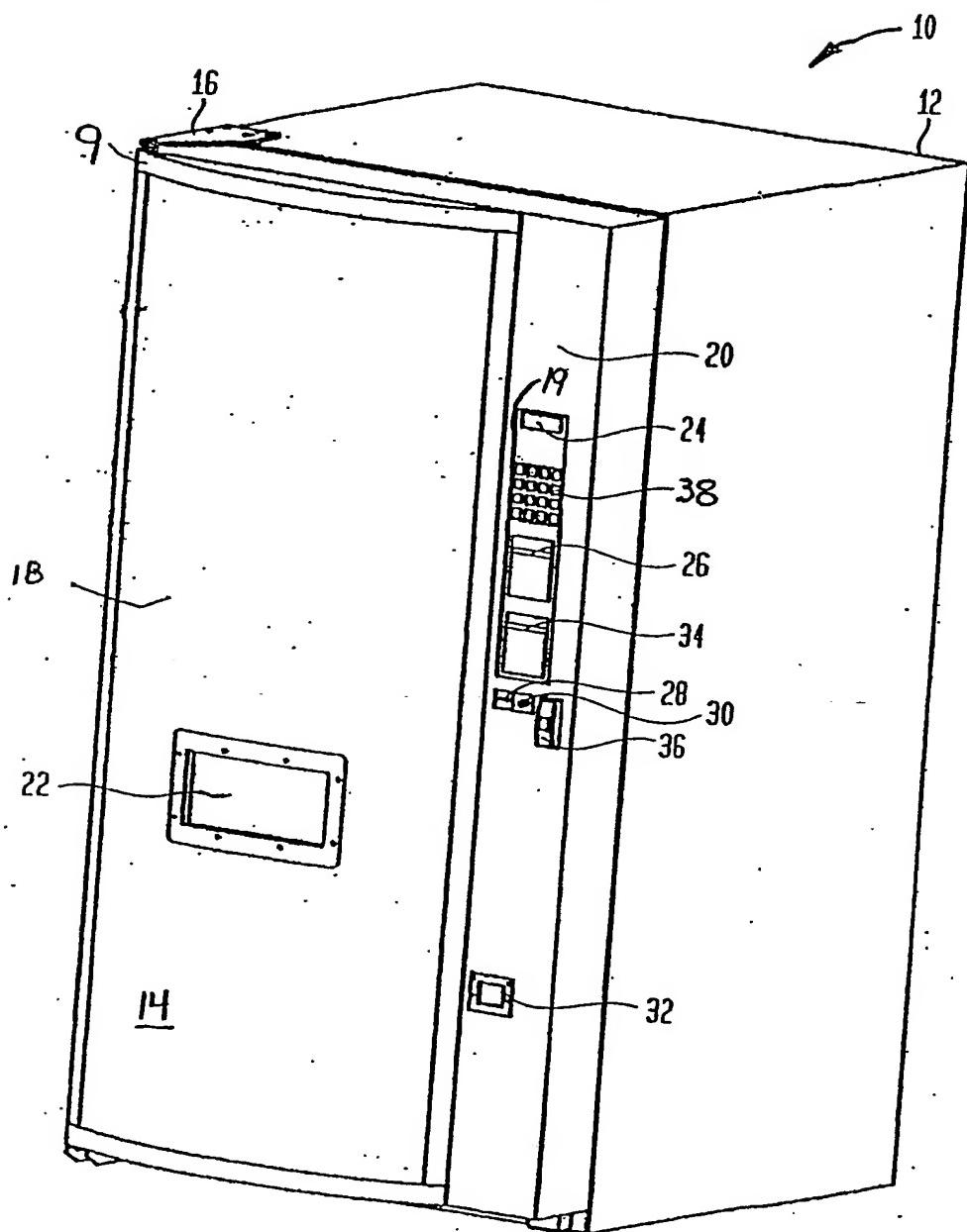


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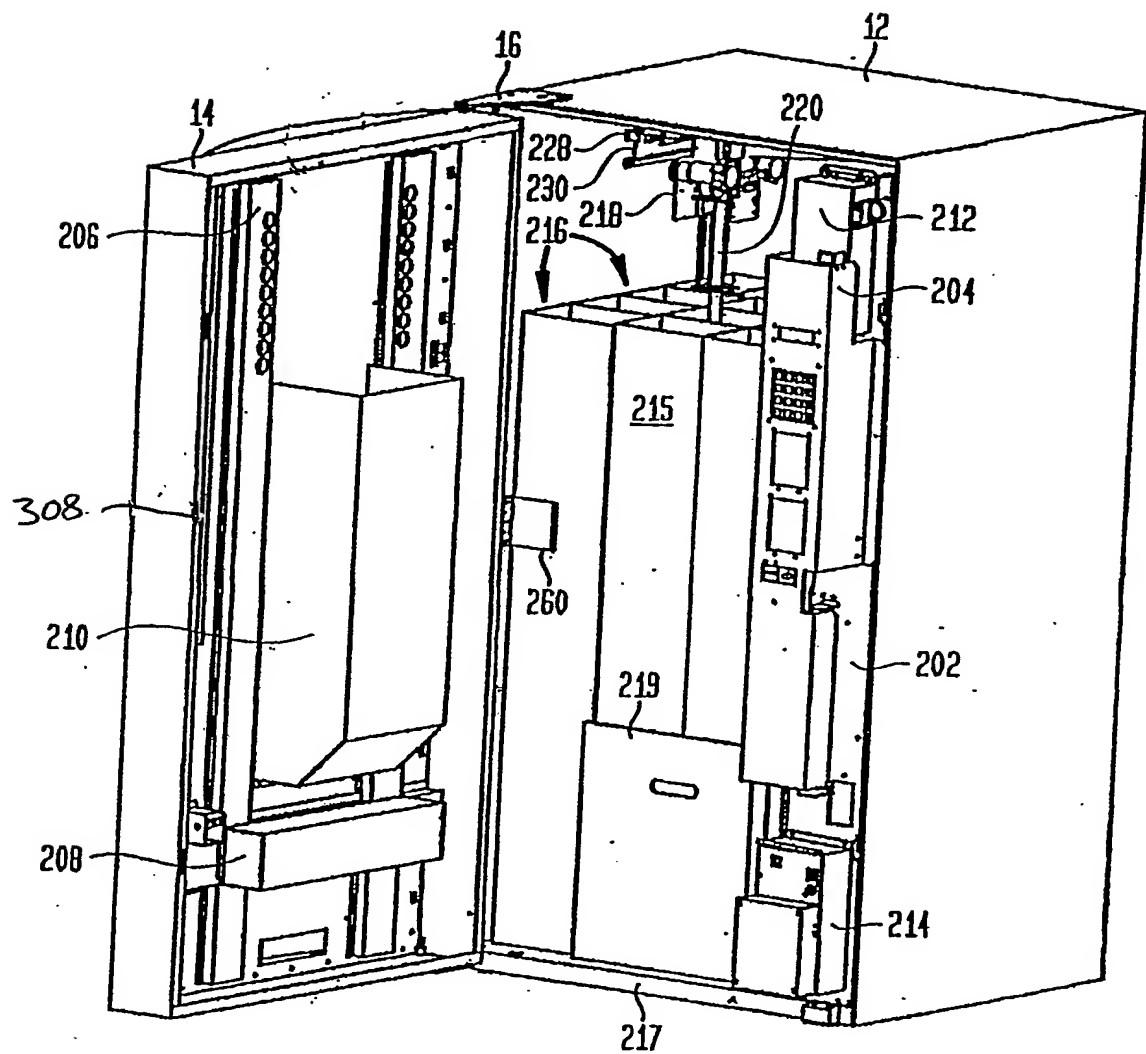


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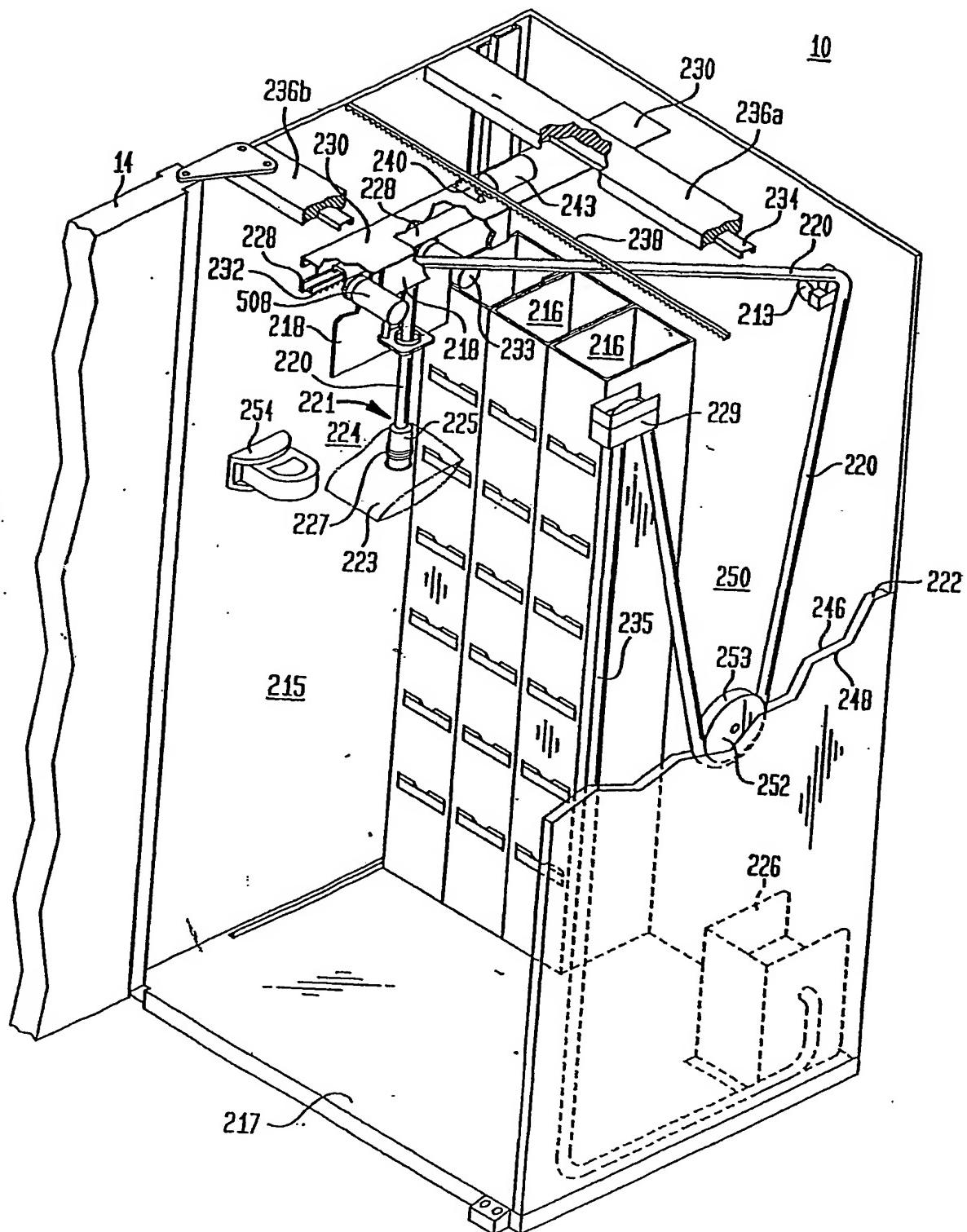


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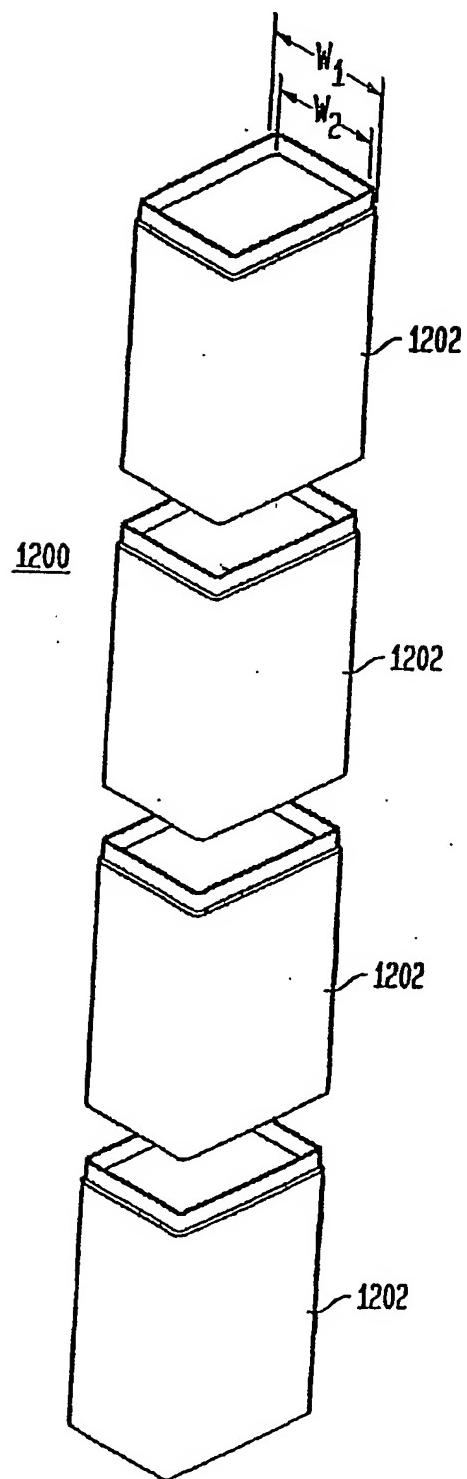


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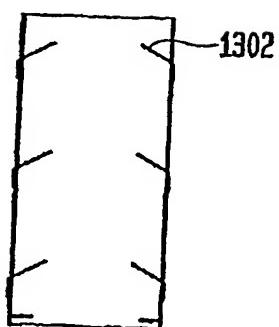
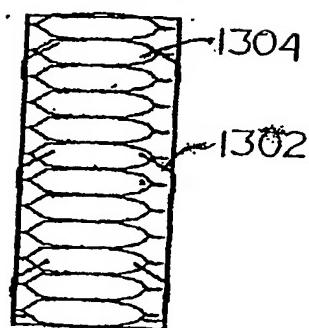
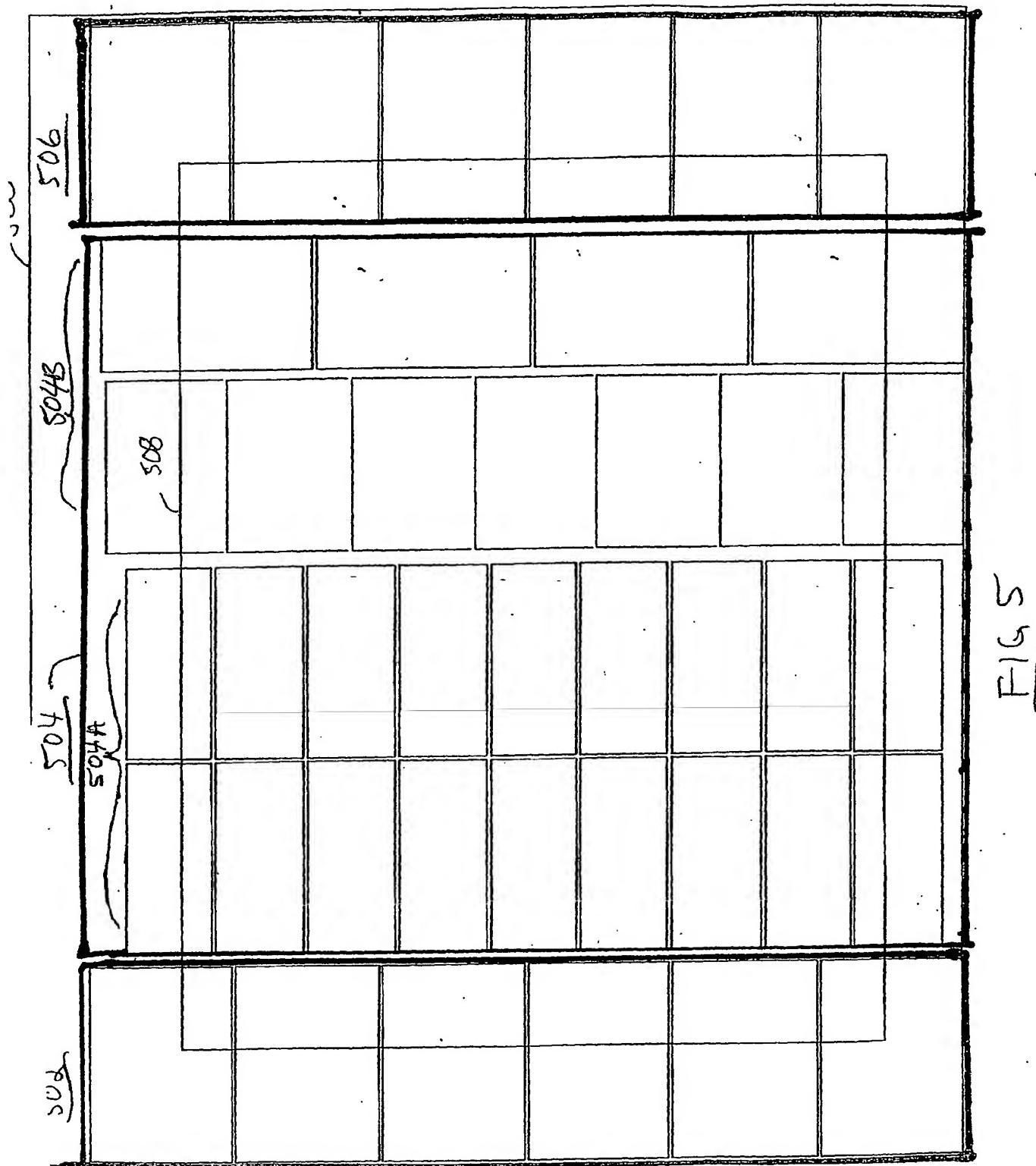
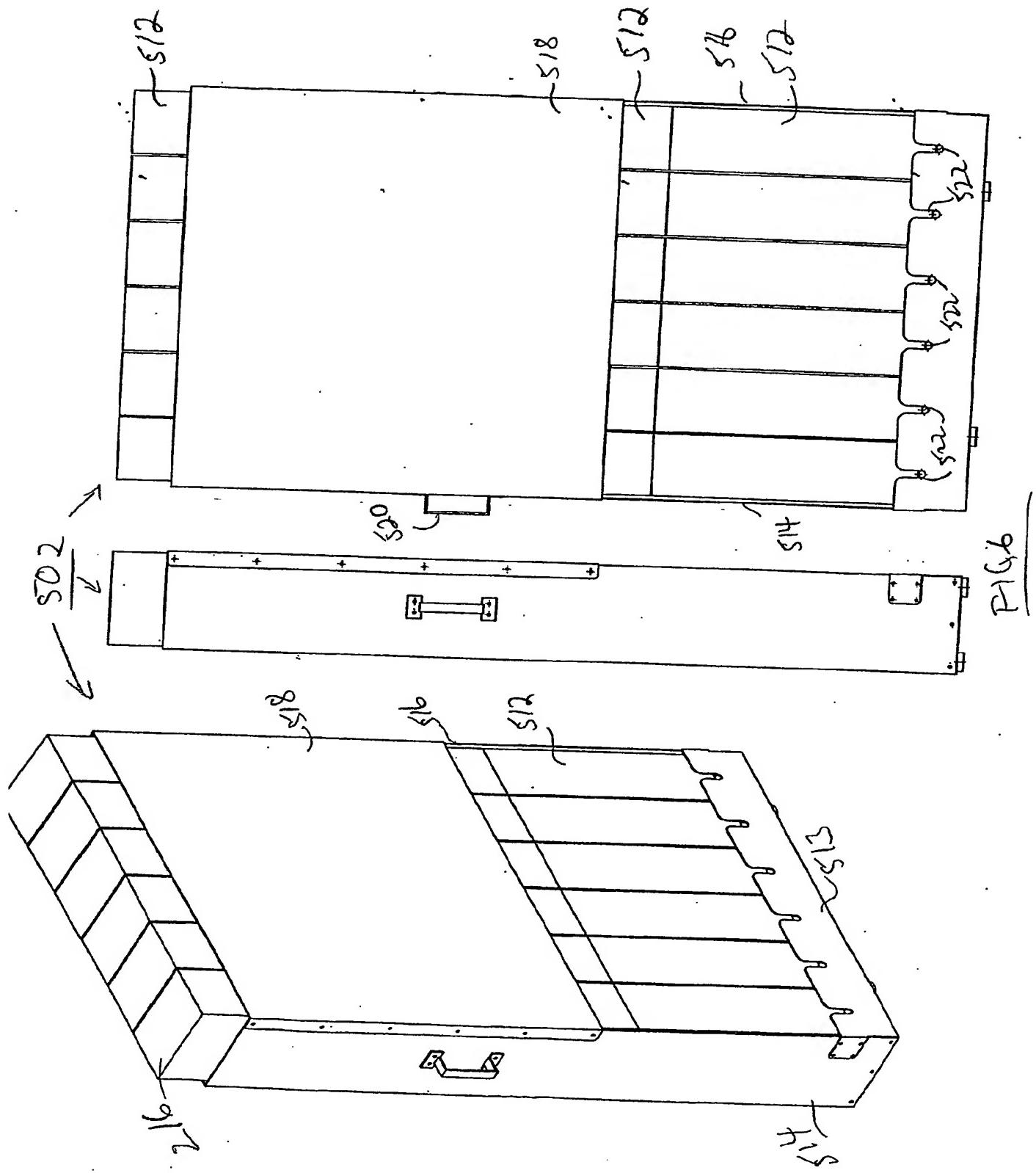


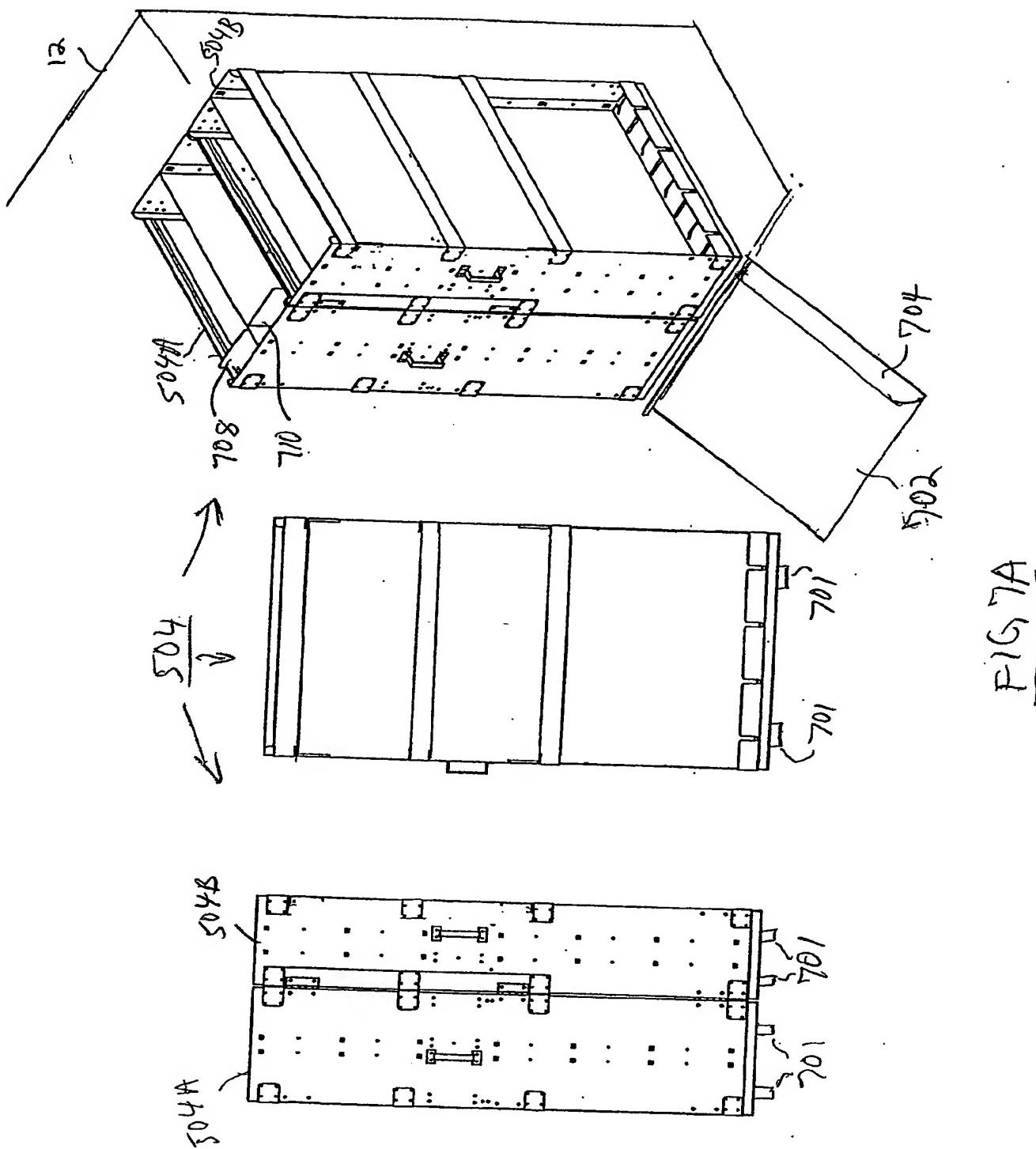
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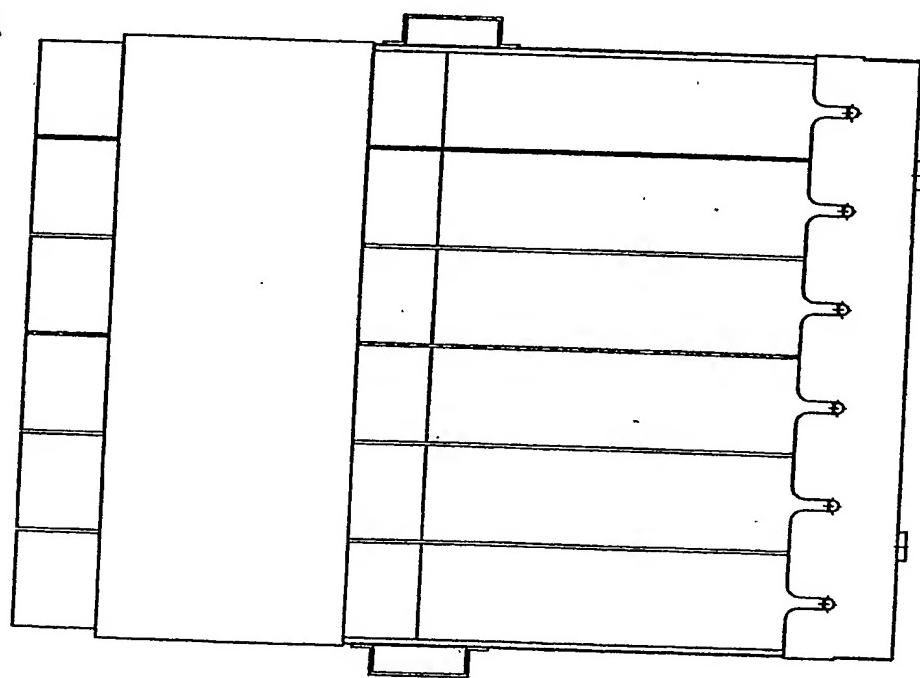
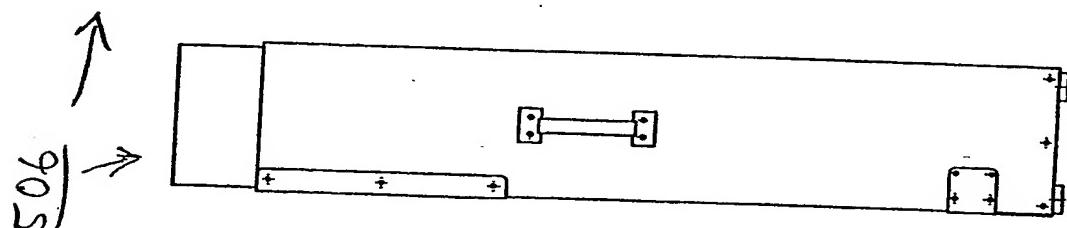
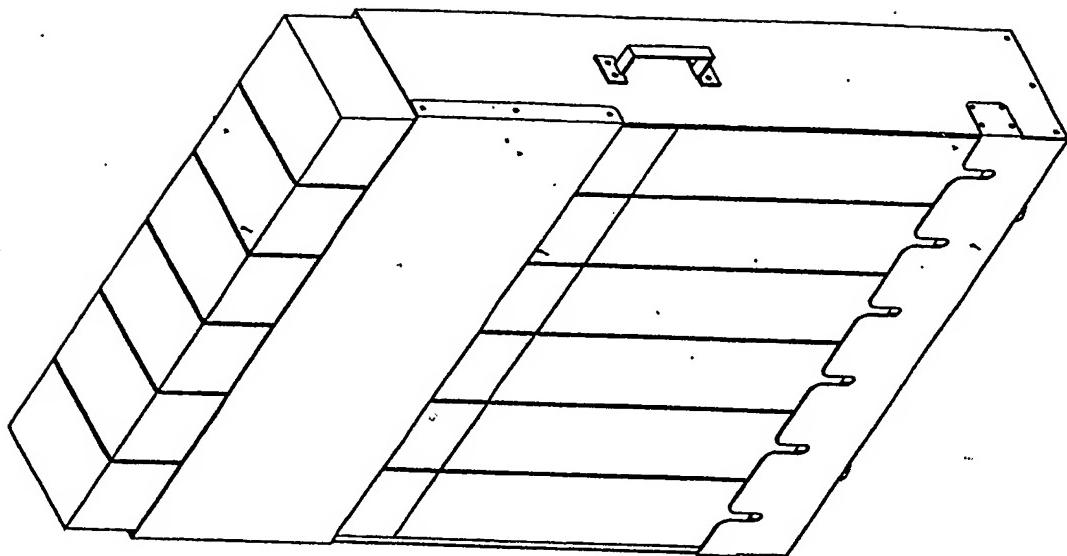


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FIG 7 B

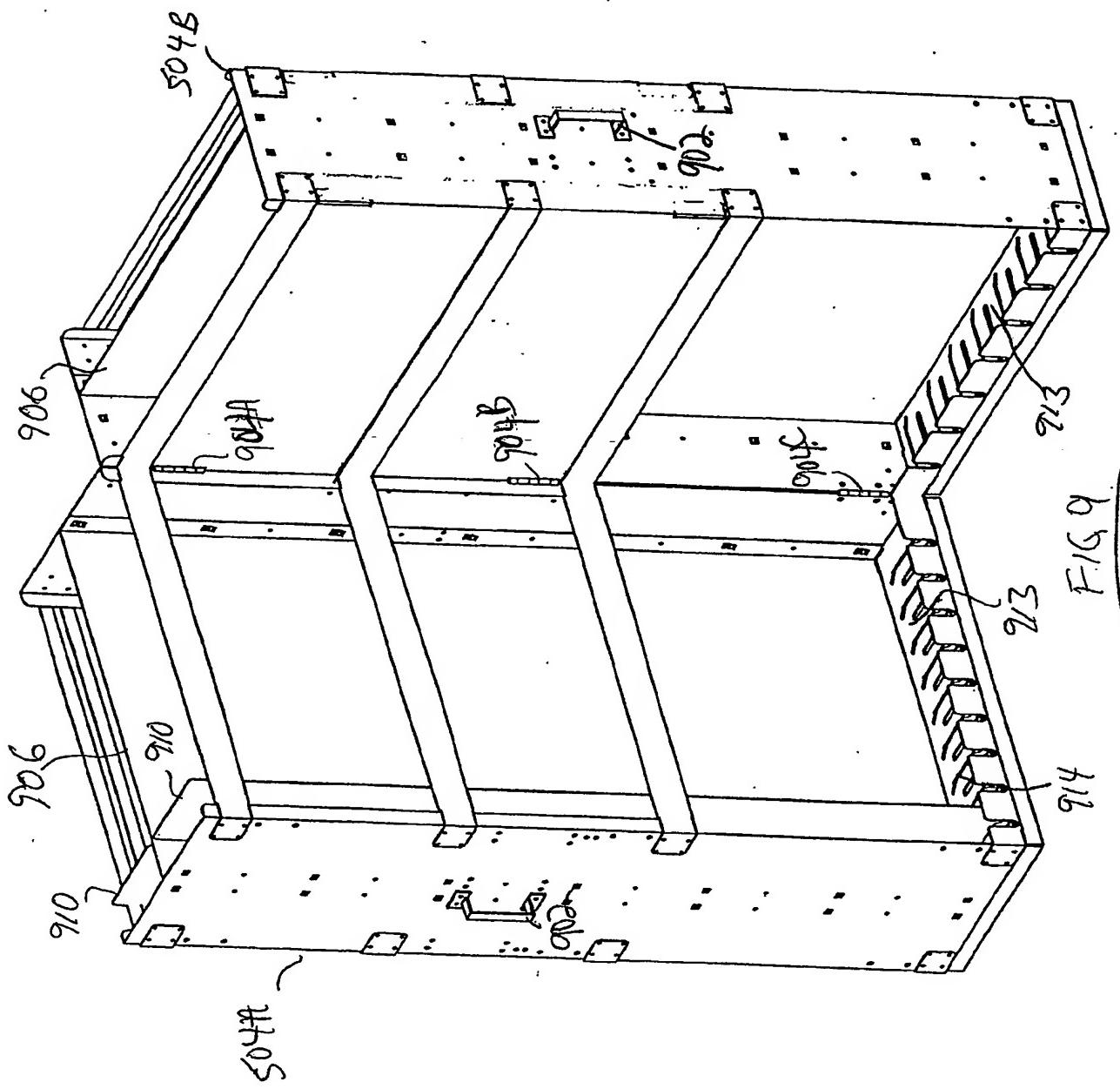
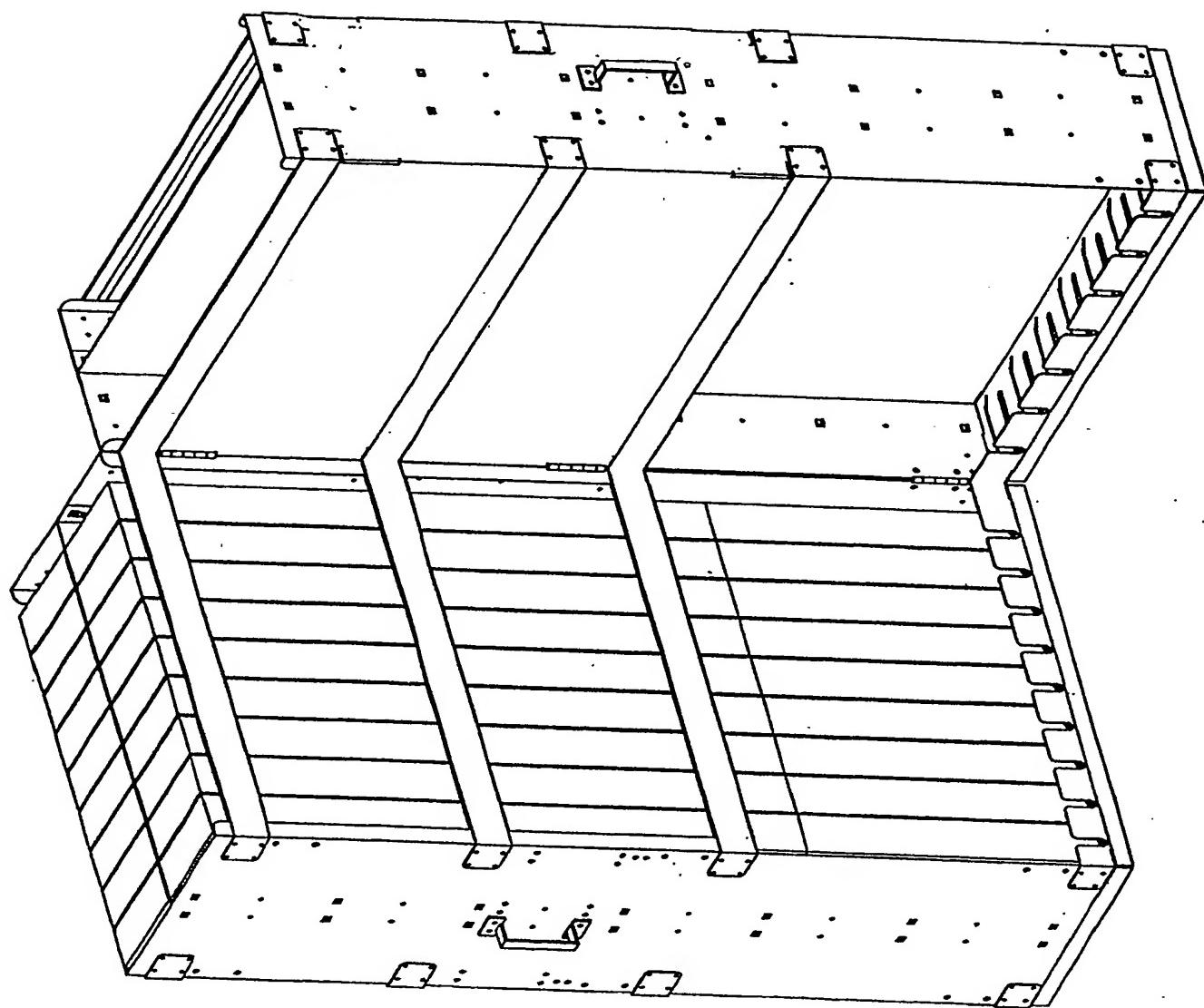


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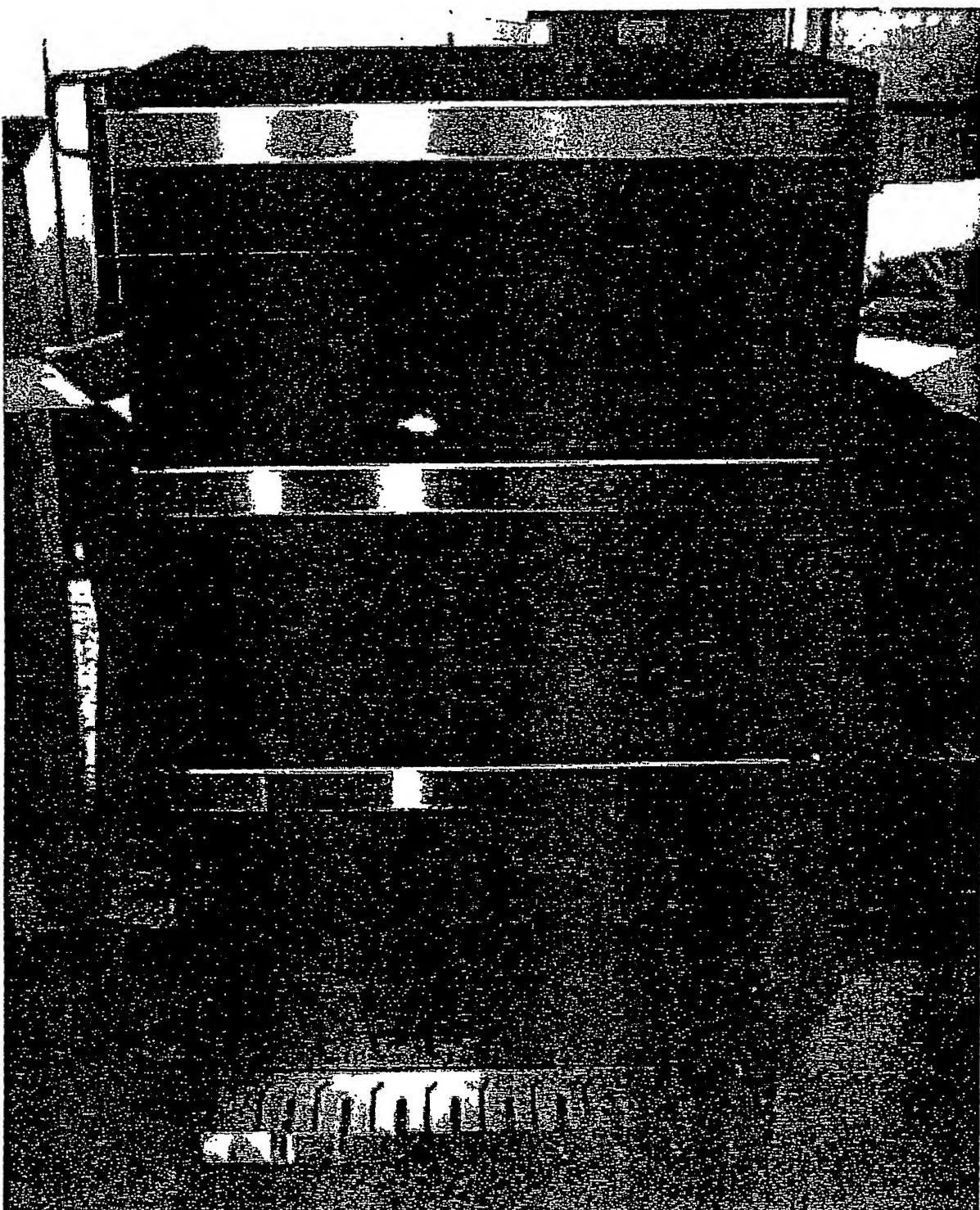


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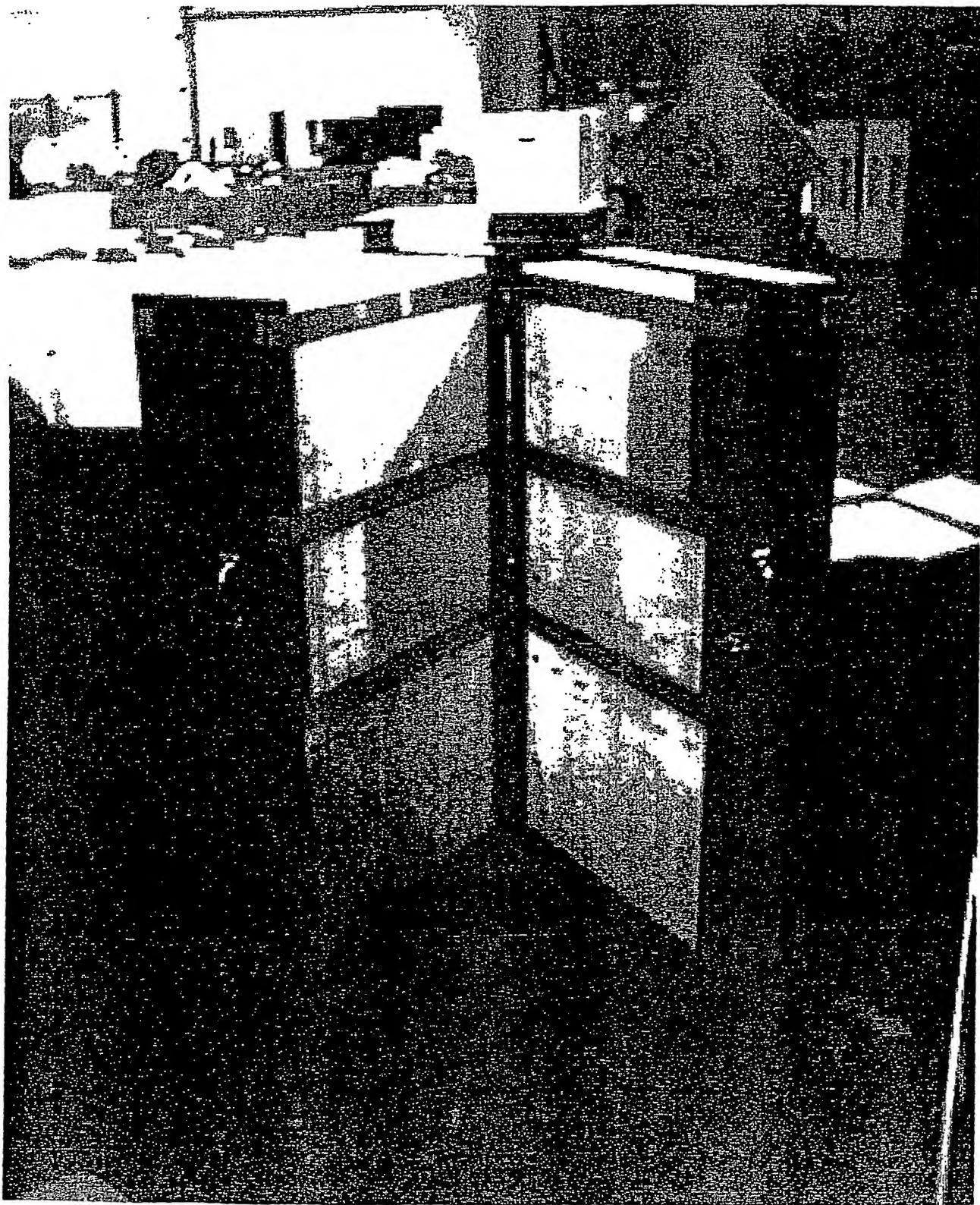


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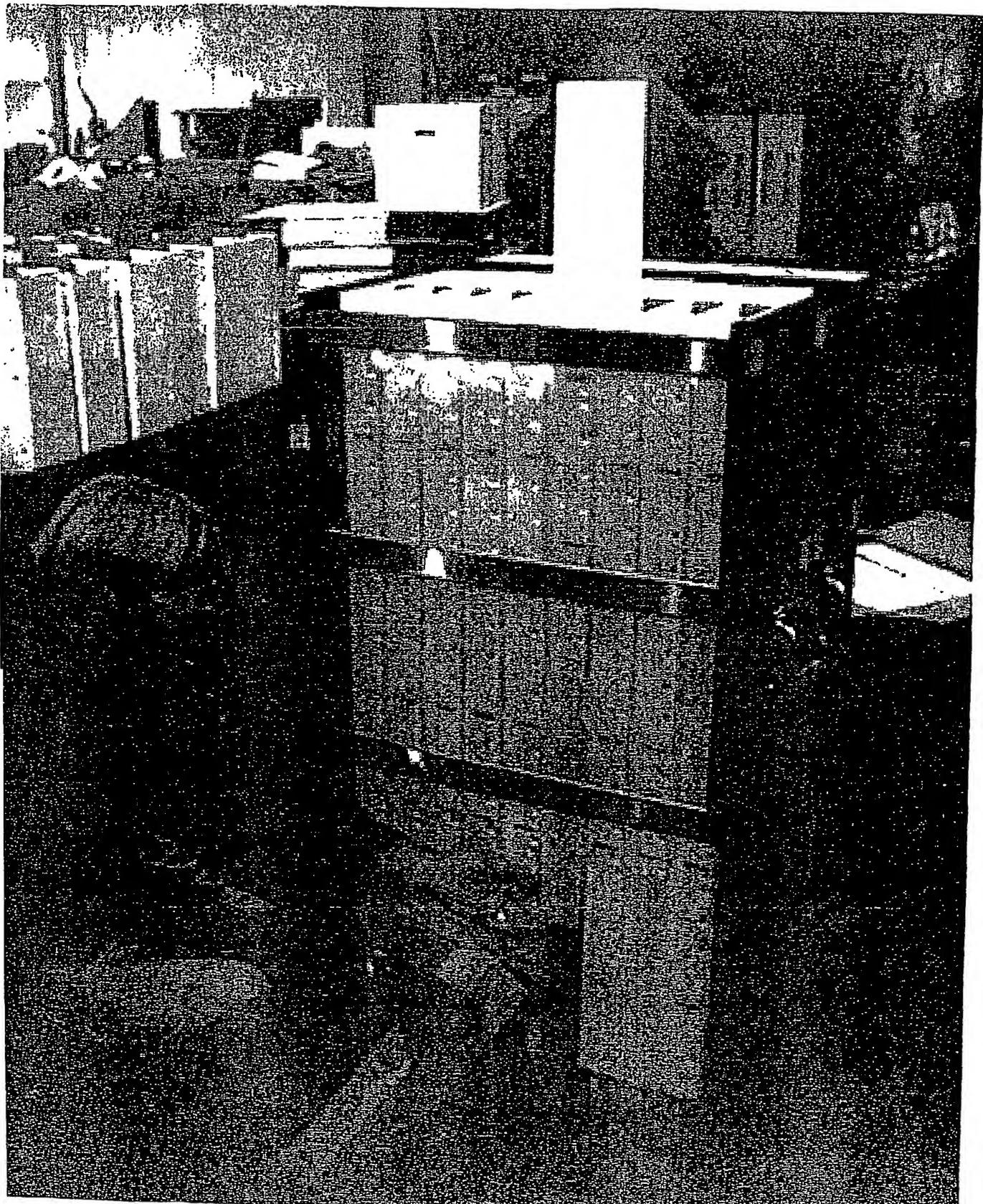


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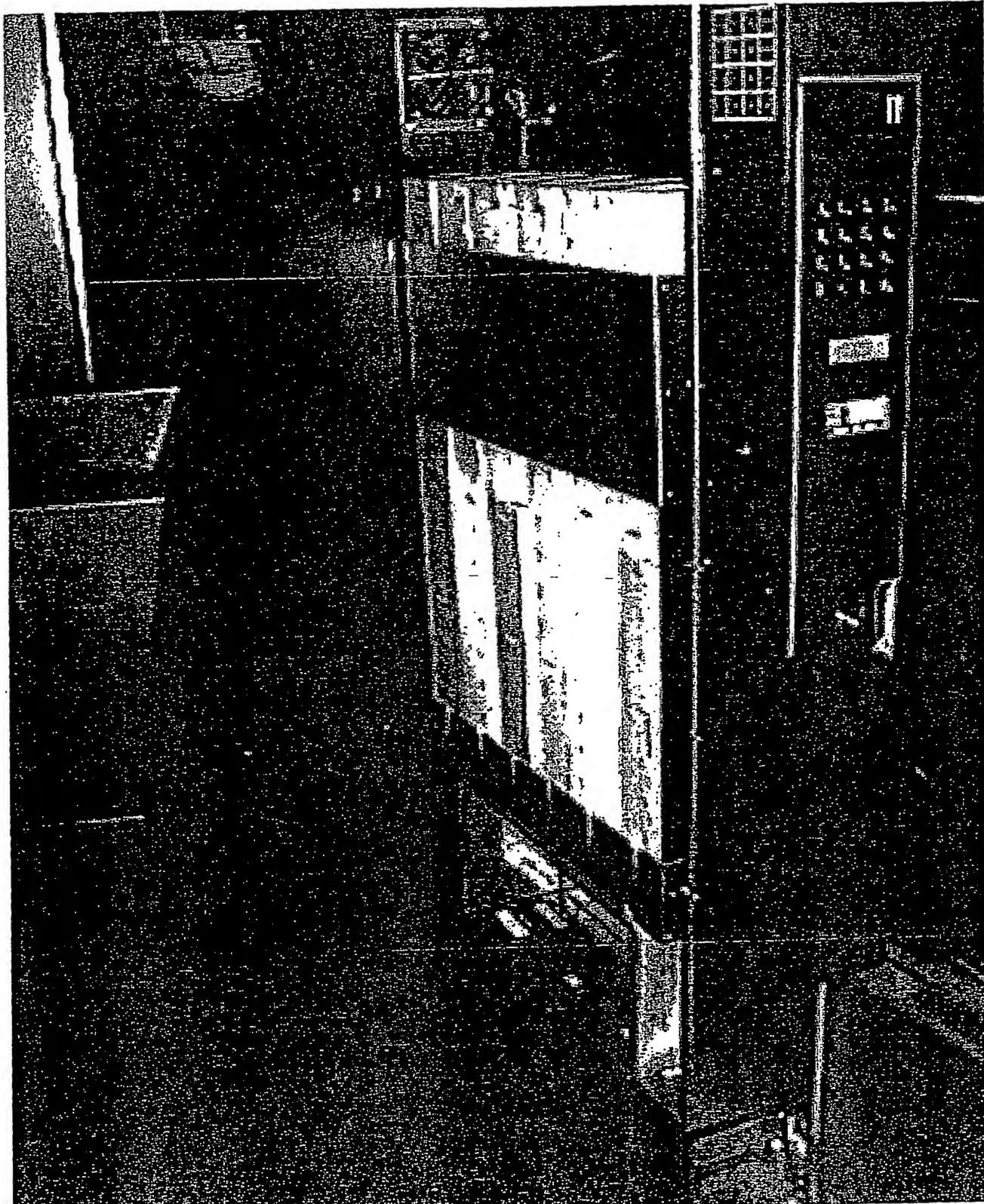


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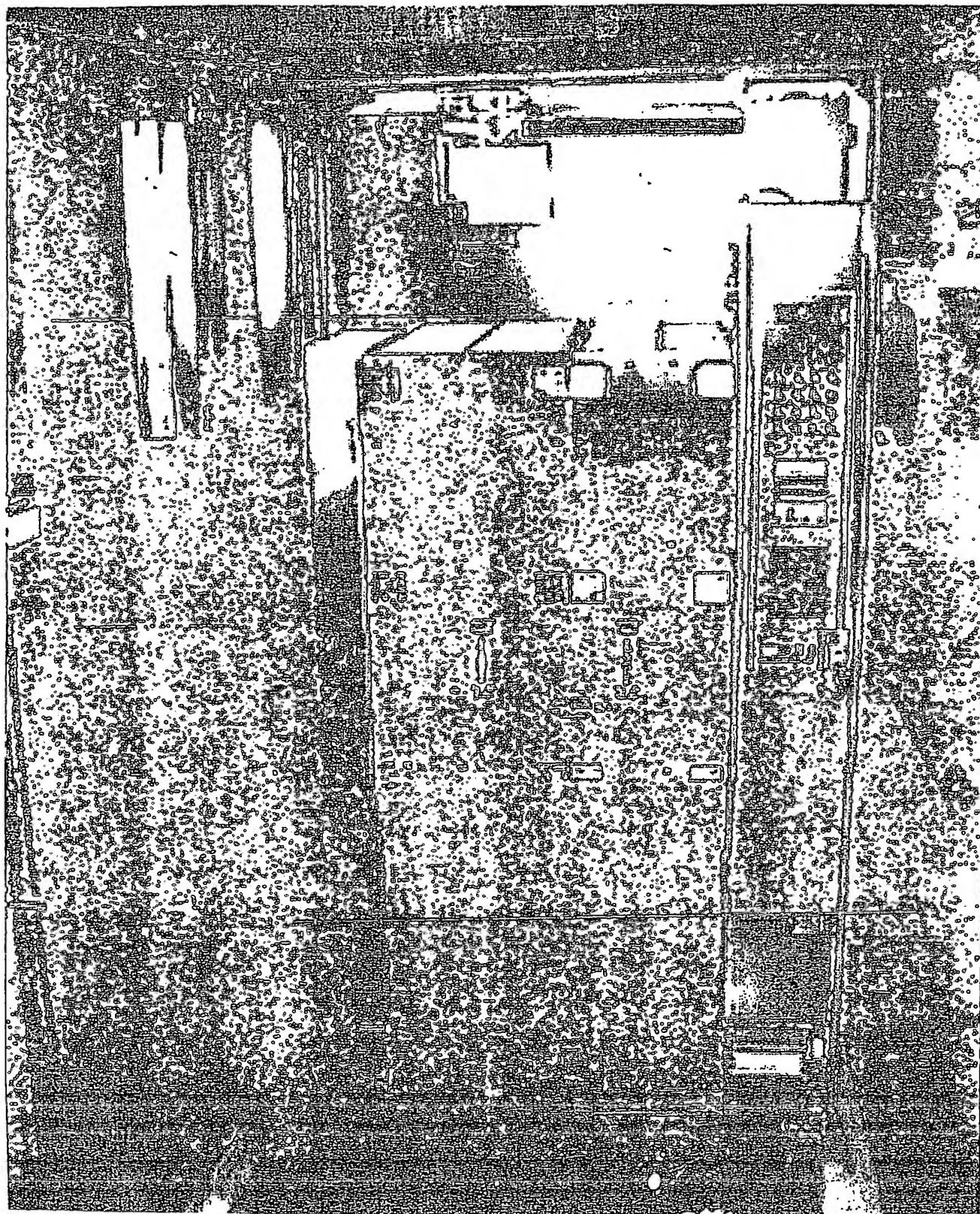


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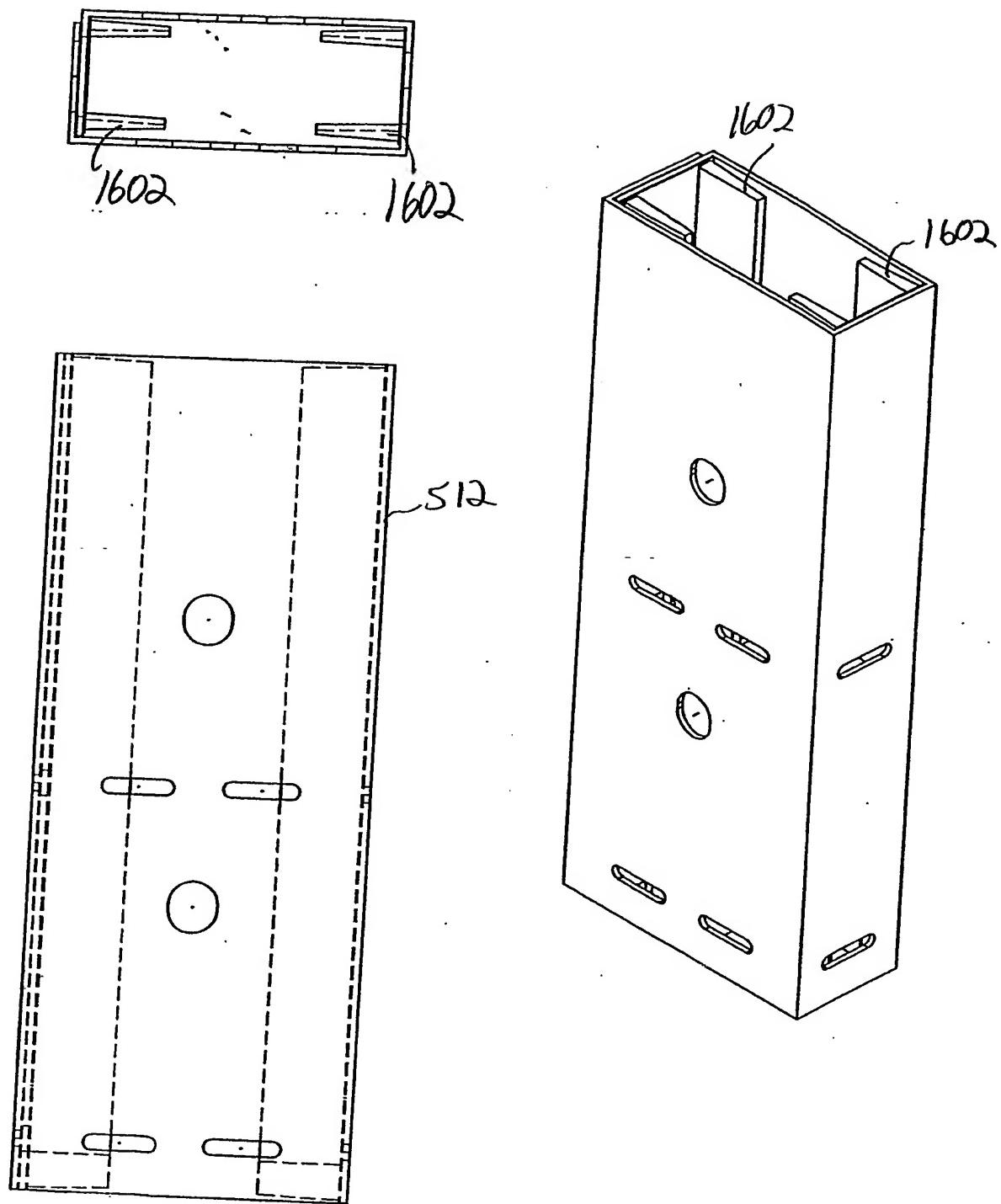
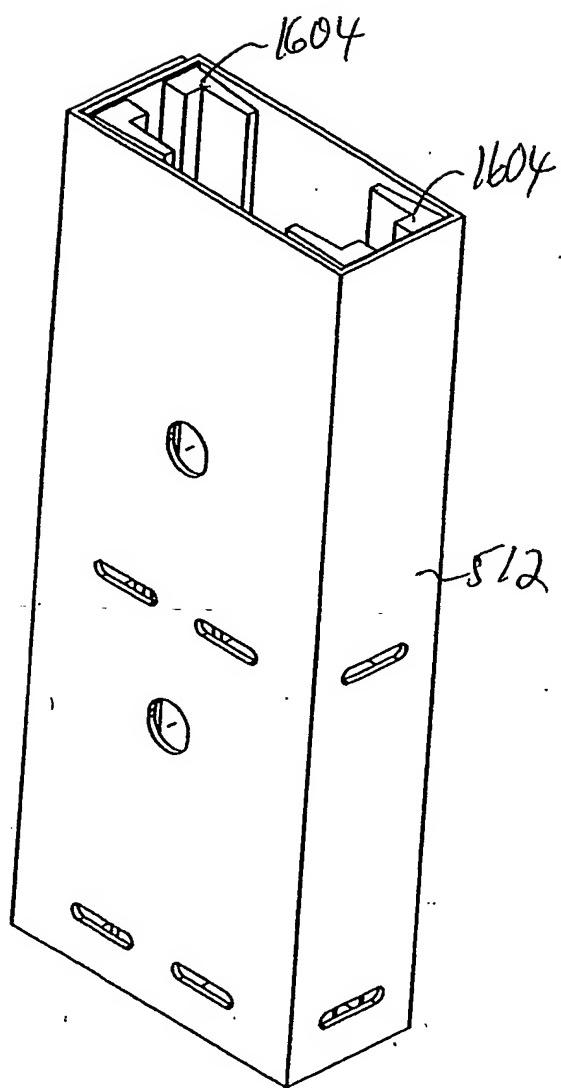
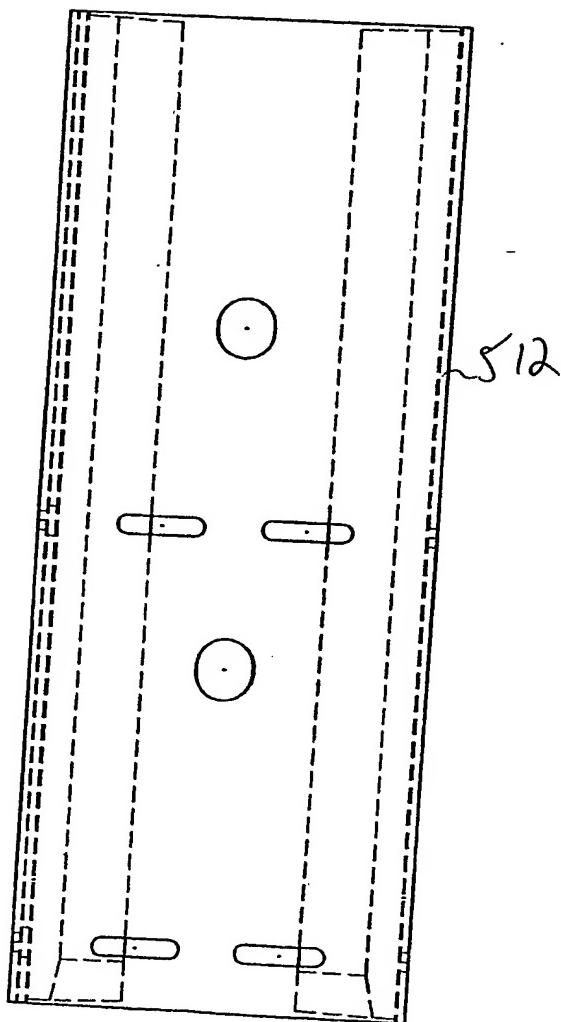
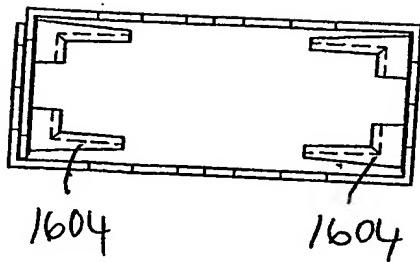


FIG. 16.



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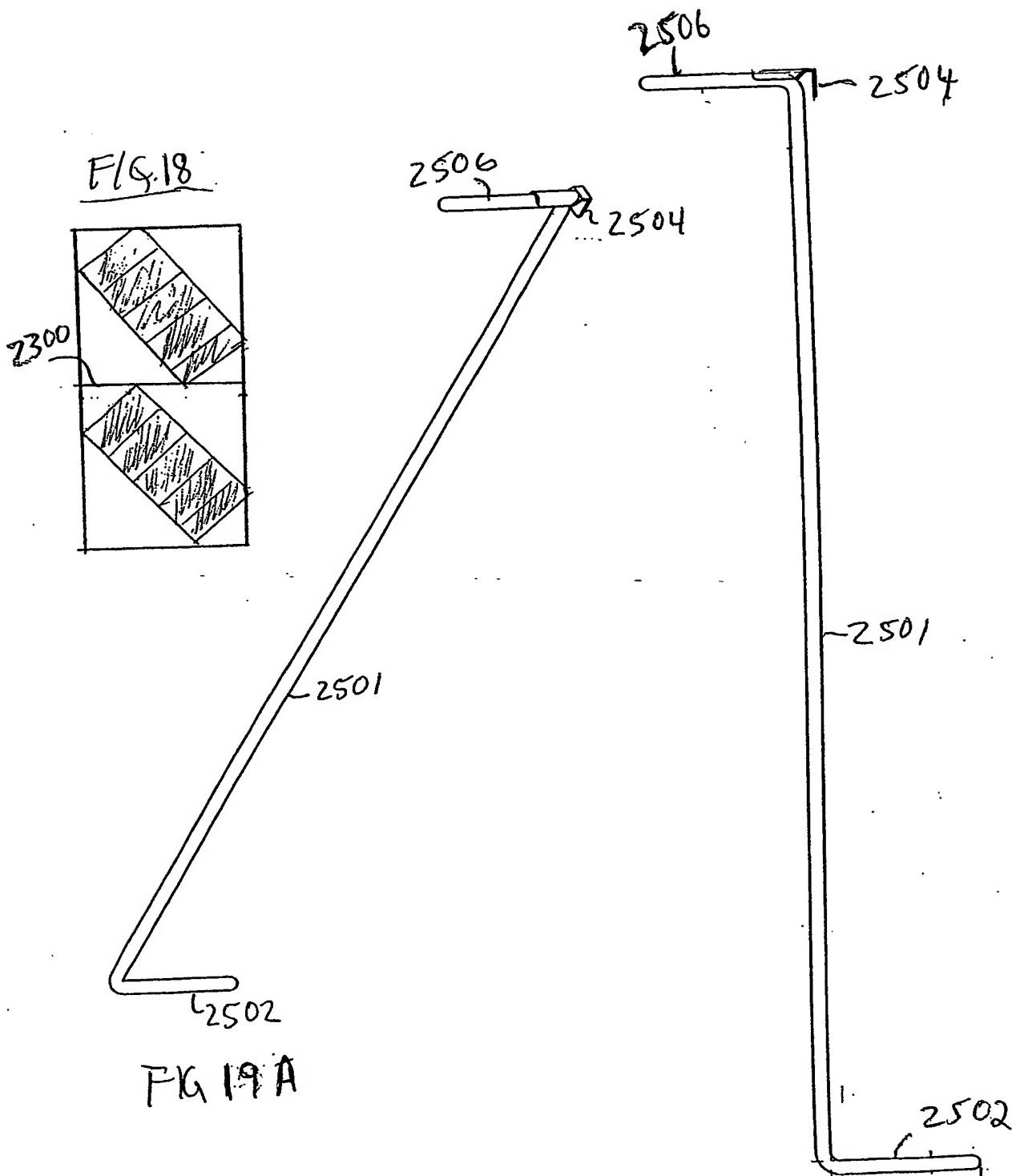


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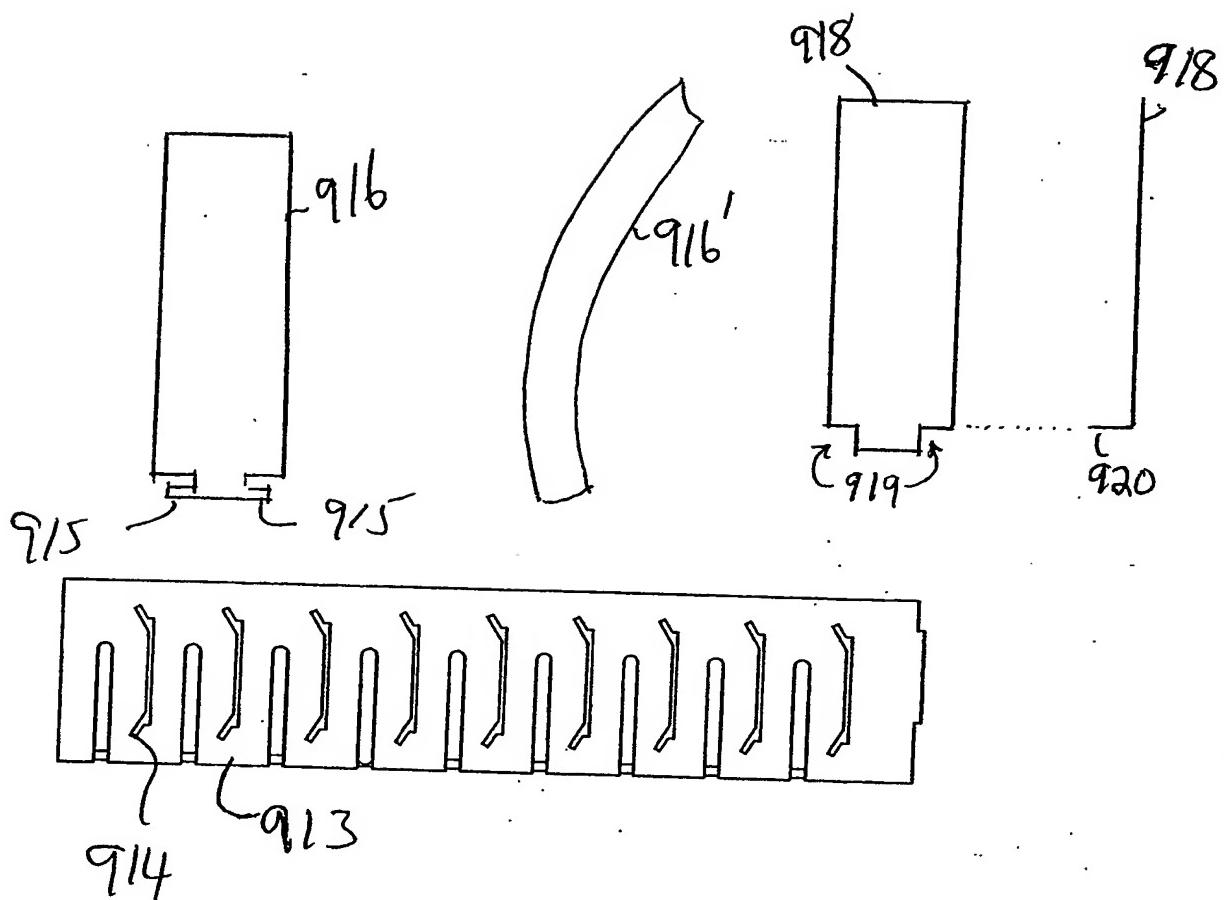


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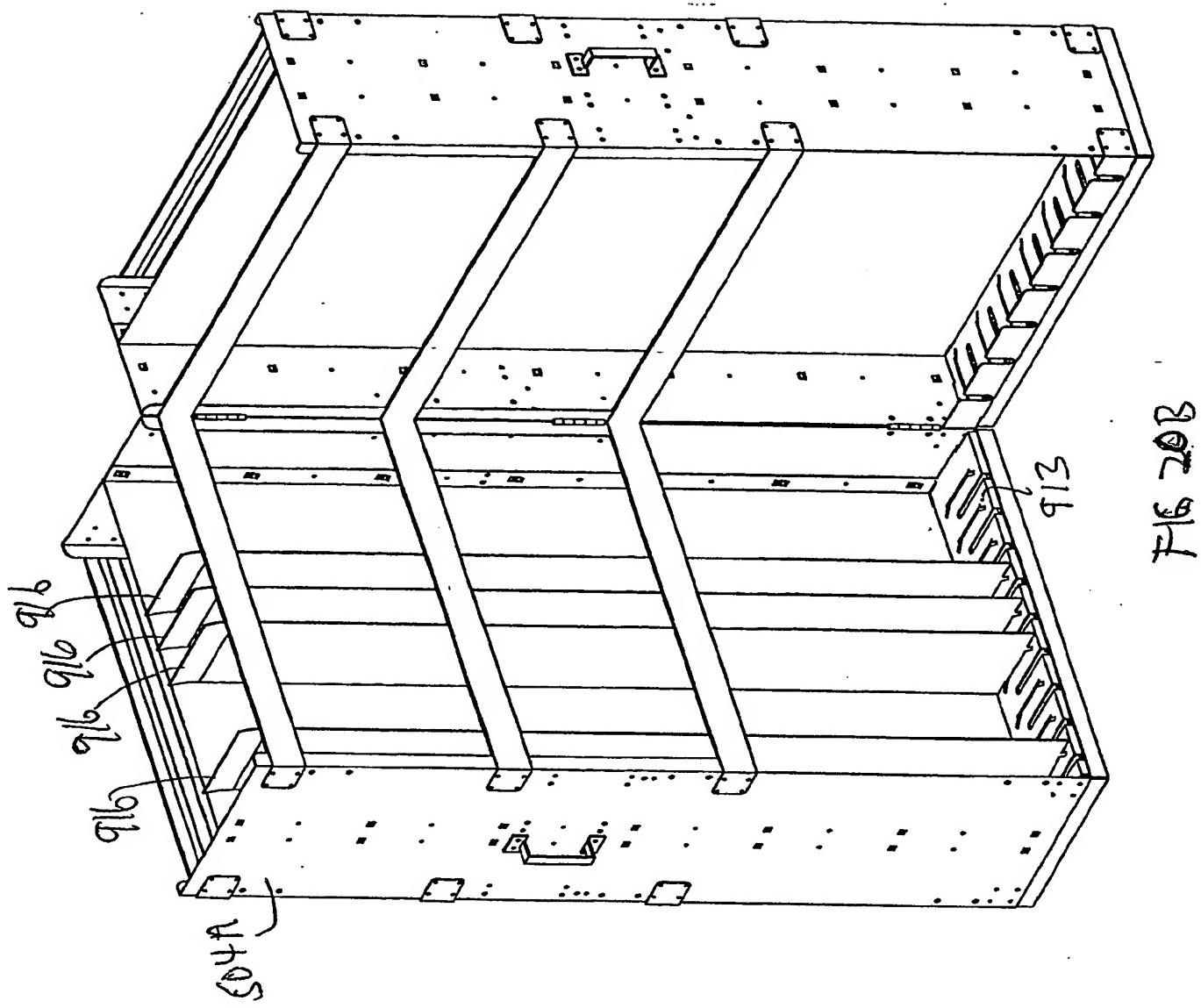


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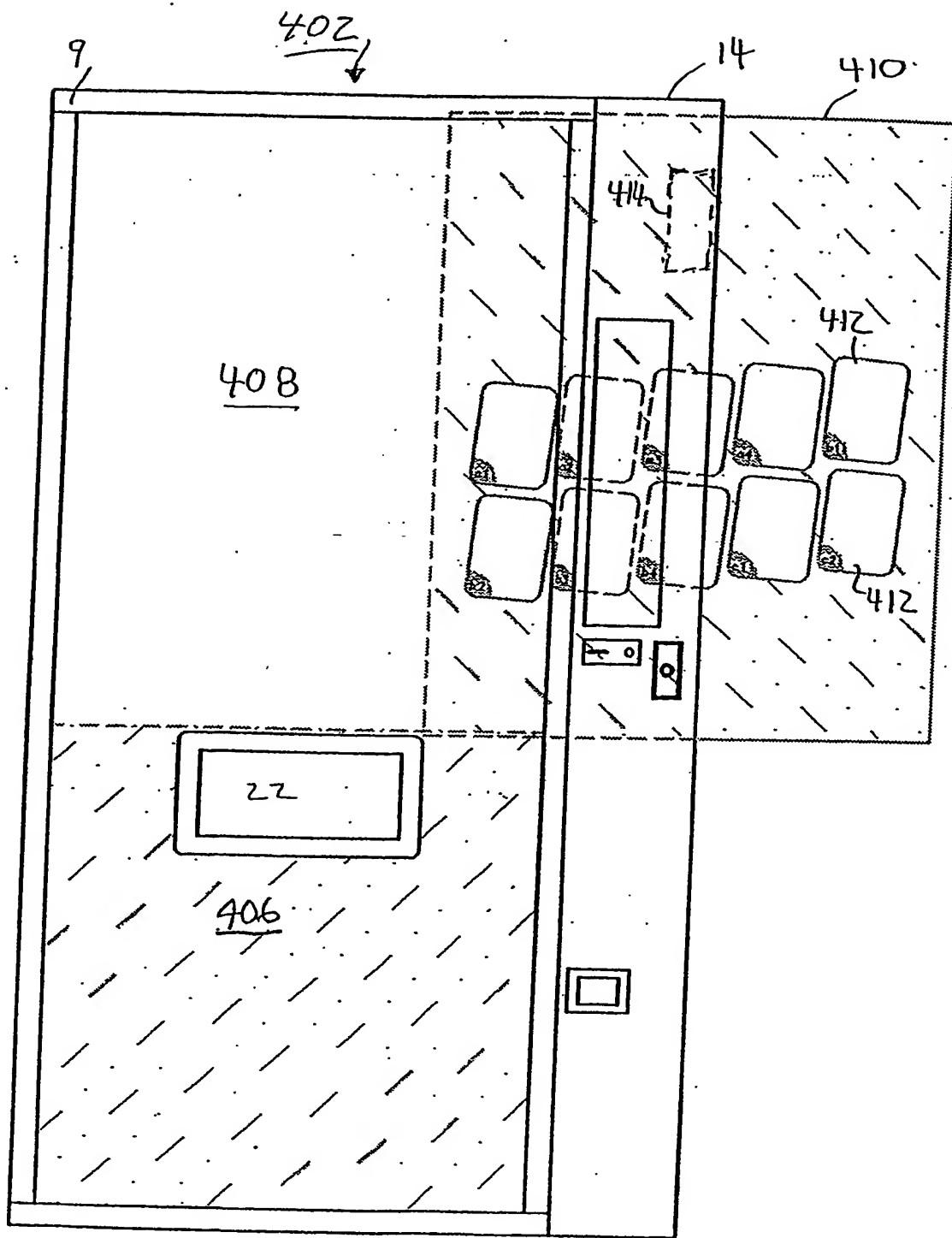
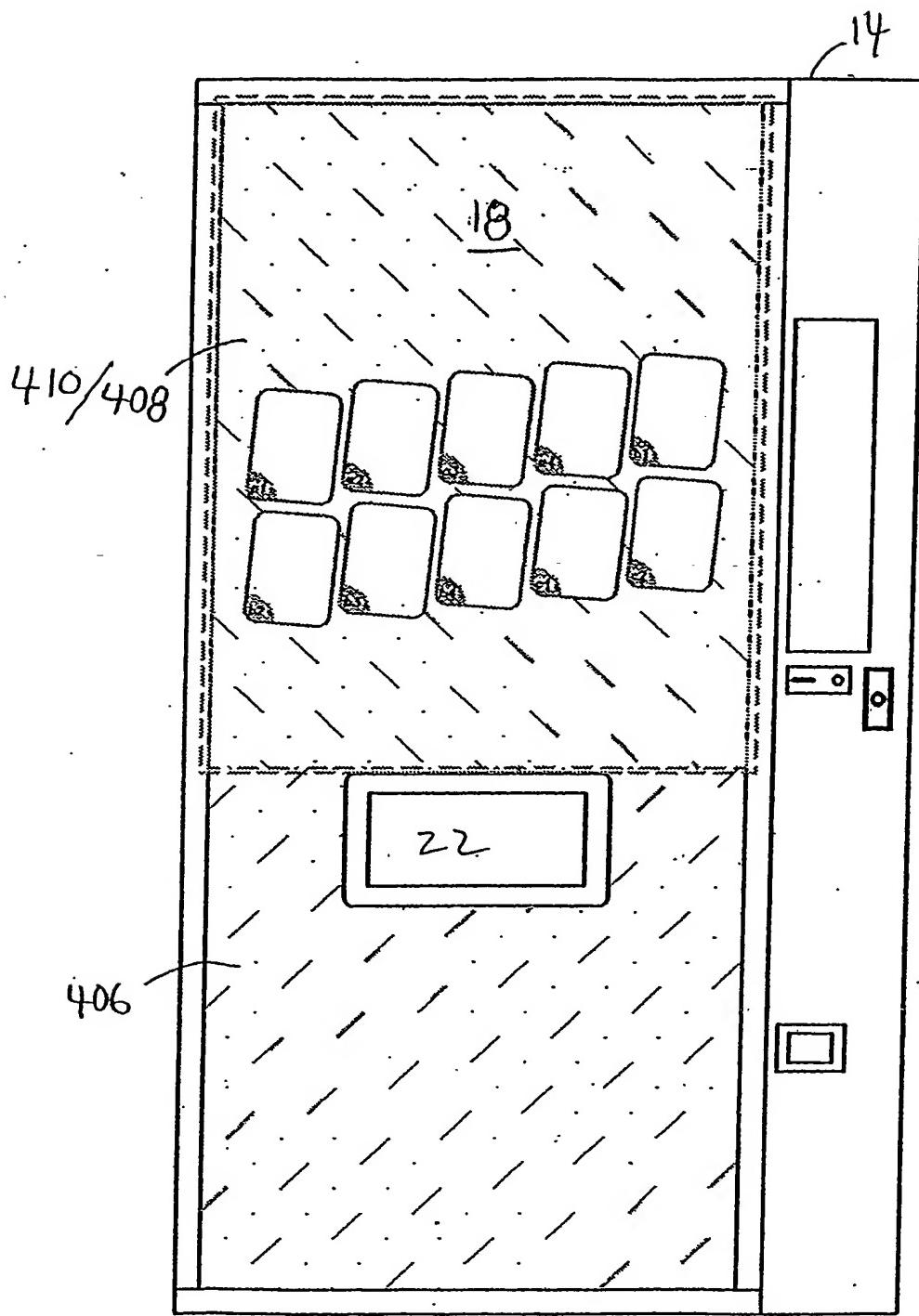
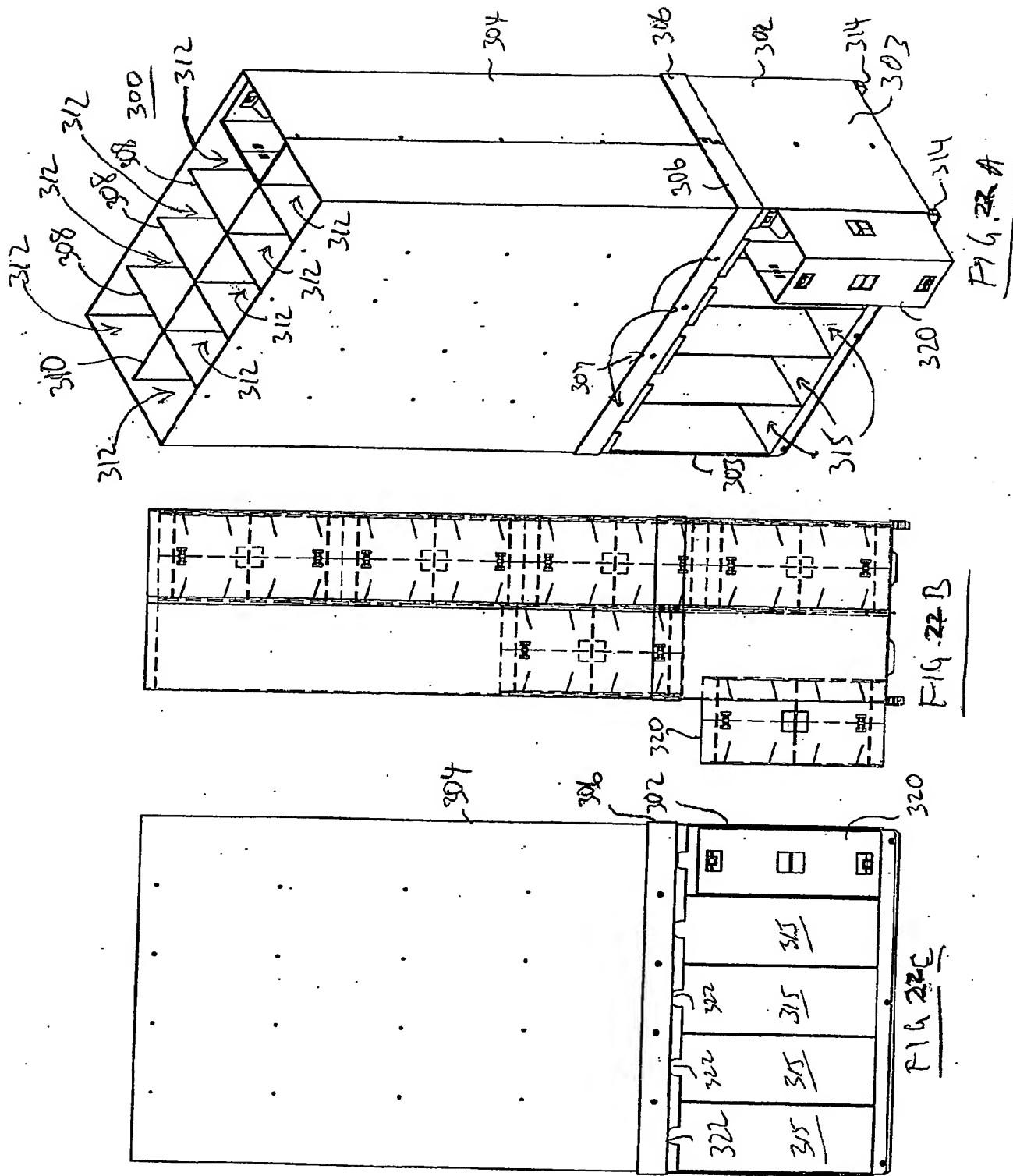


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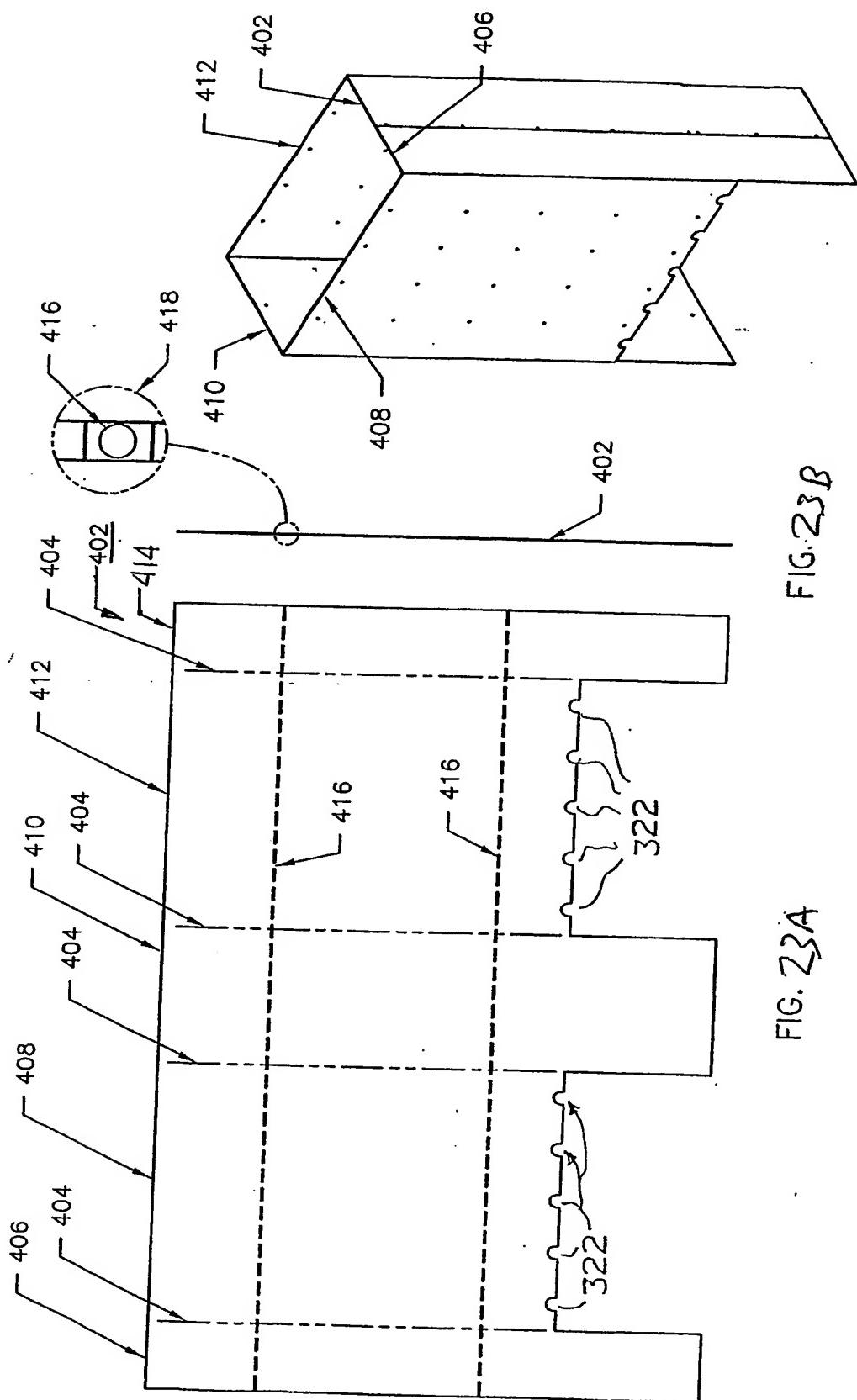


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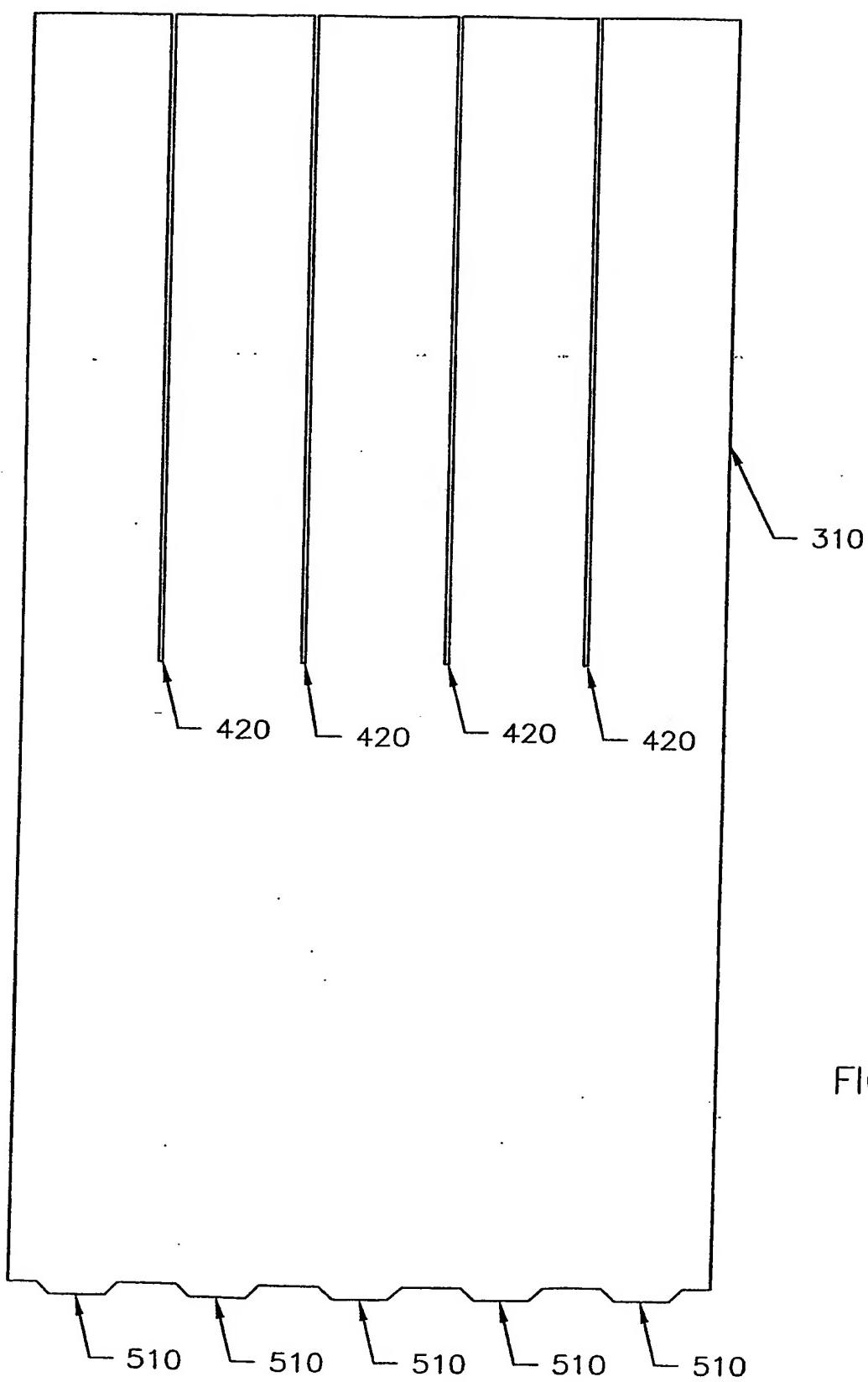


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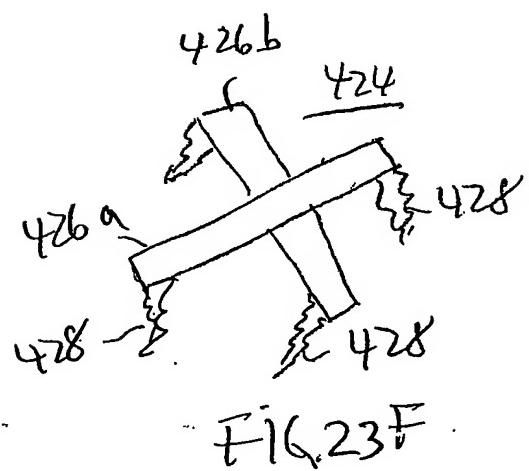
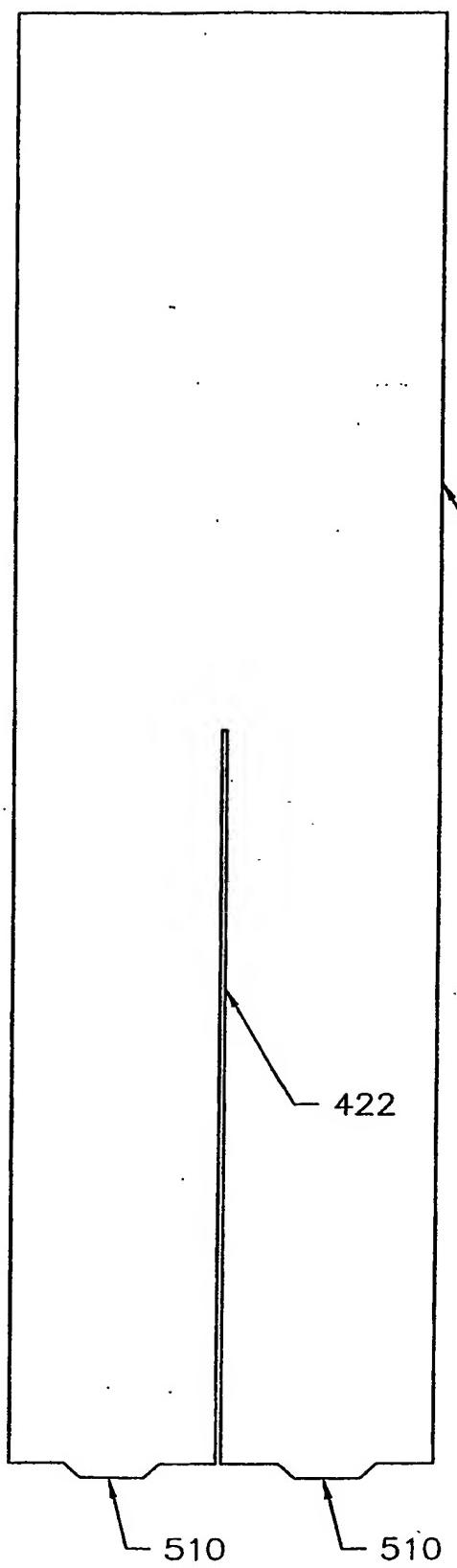


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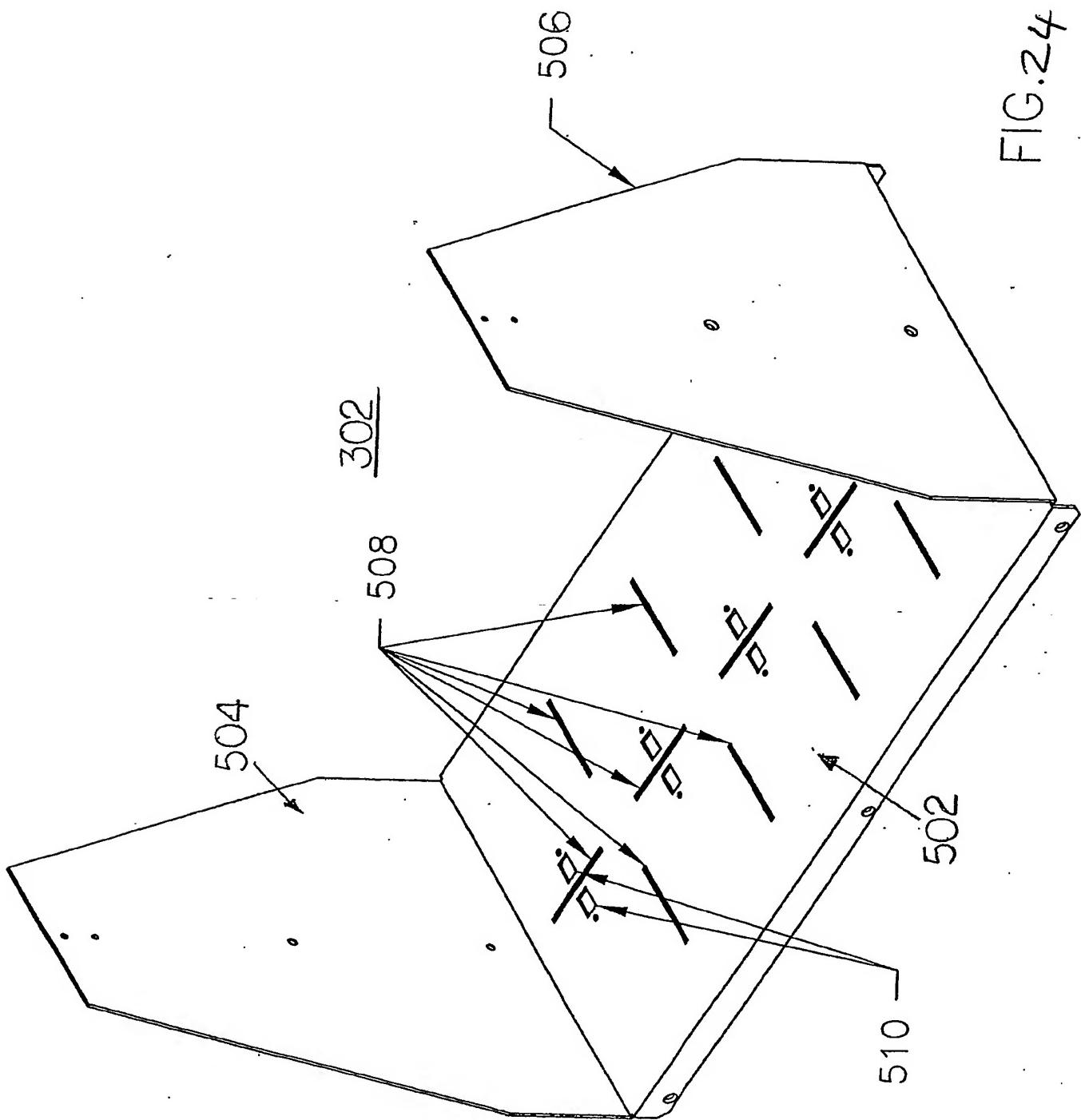
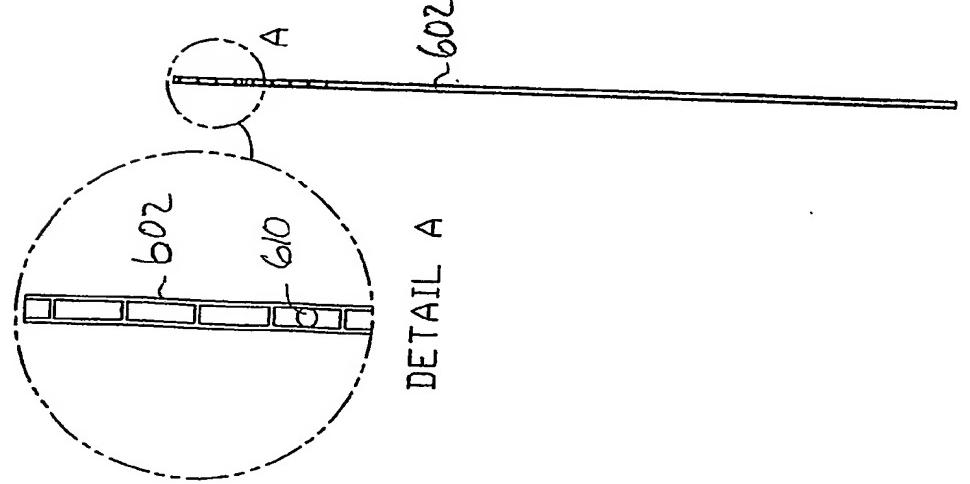
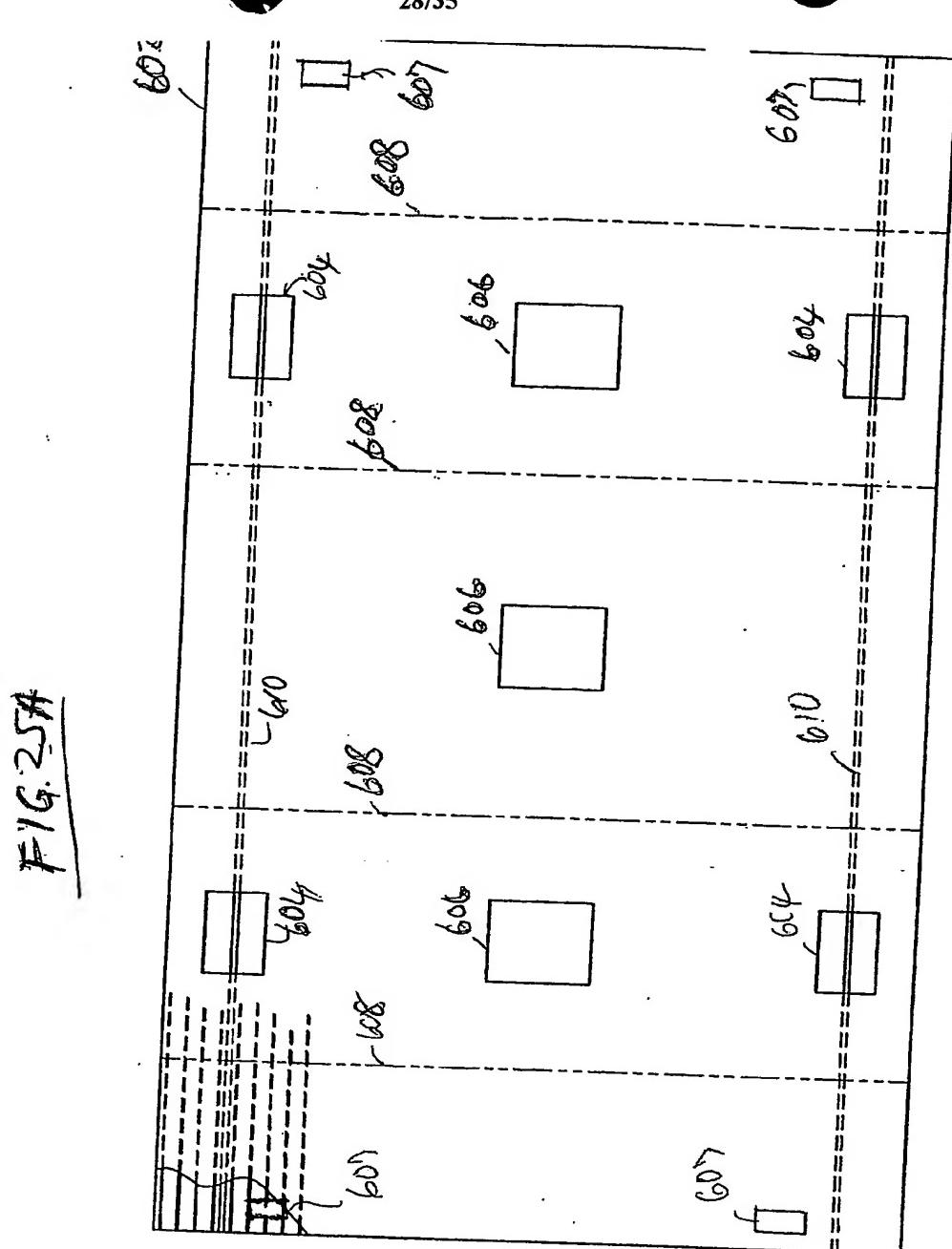
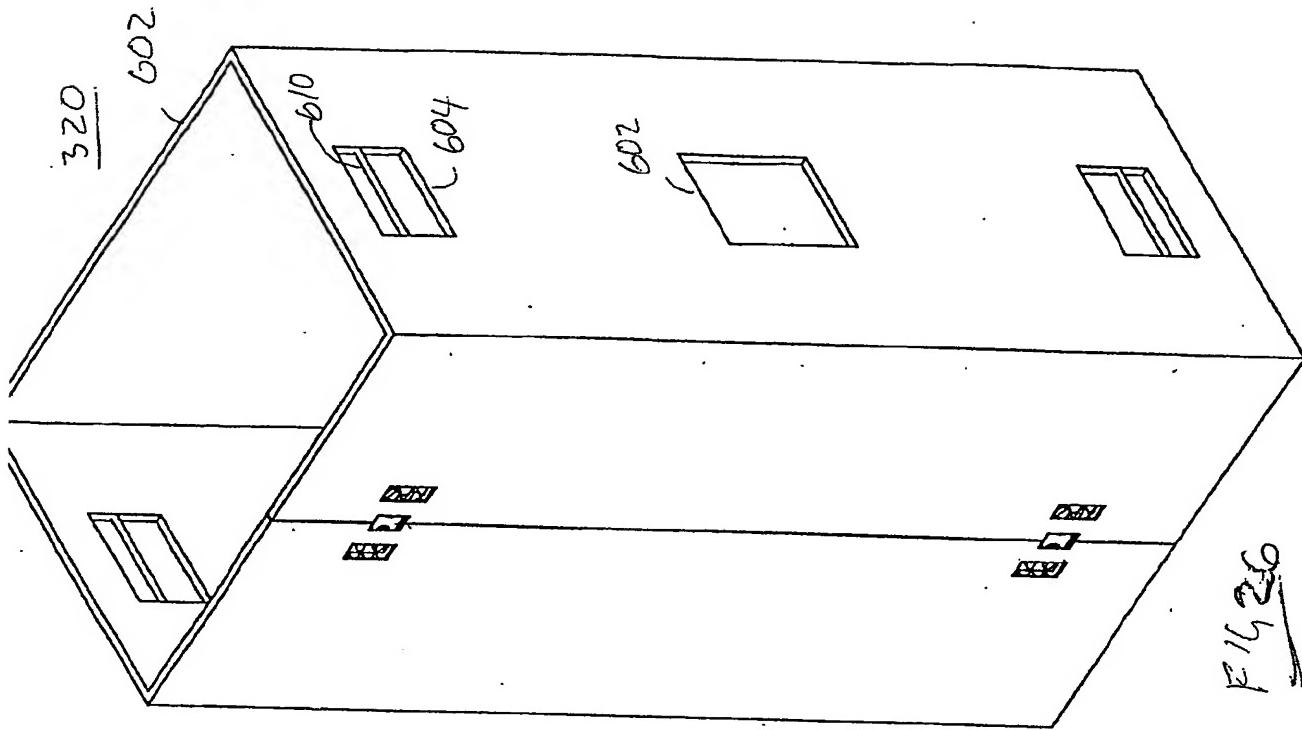
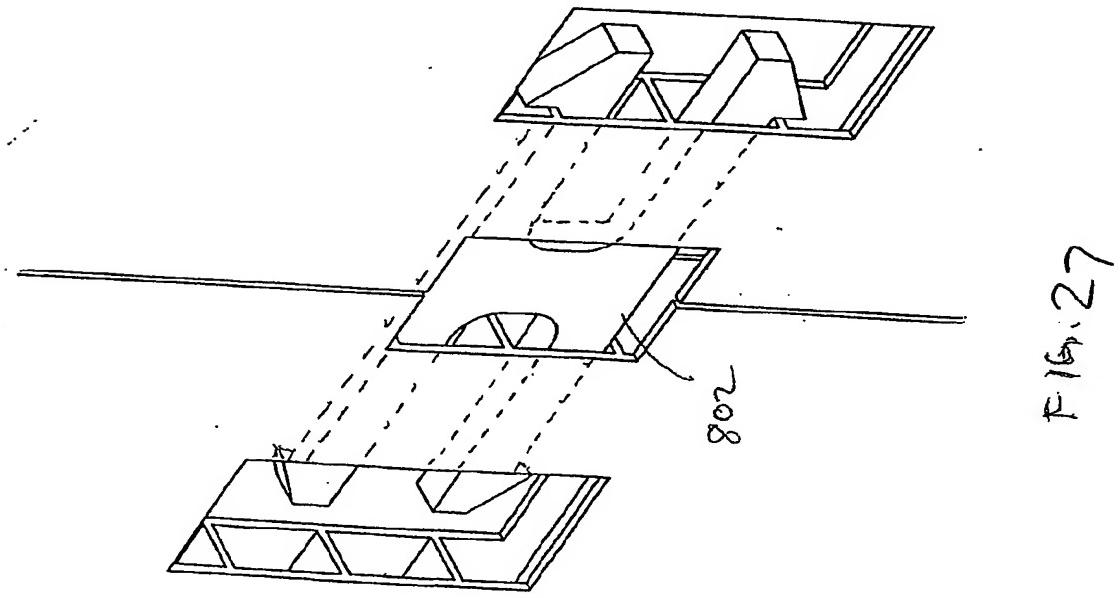


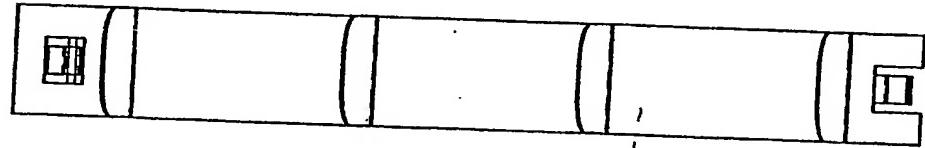
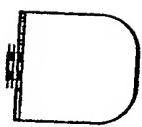
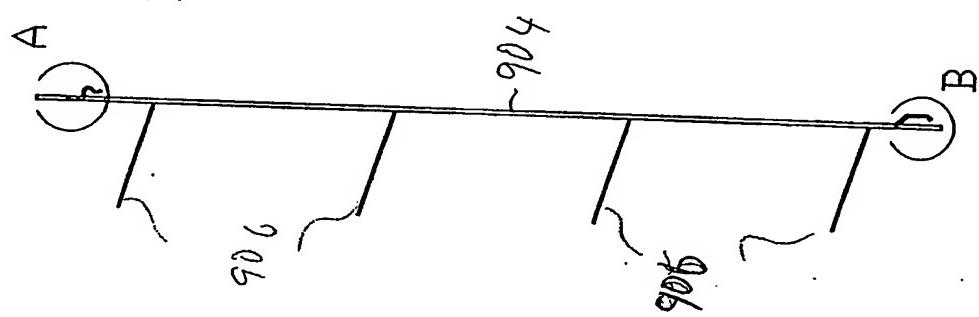
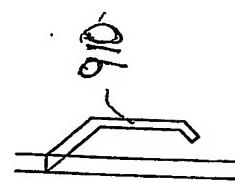
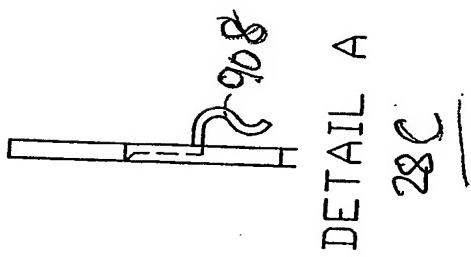
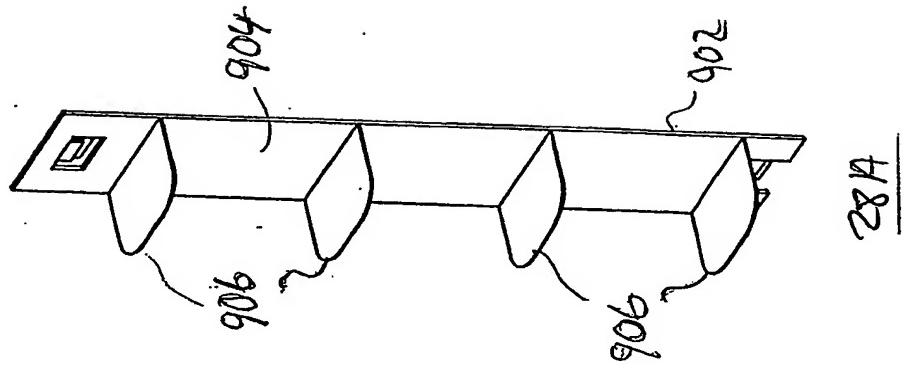
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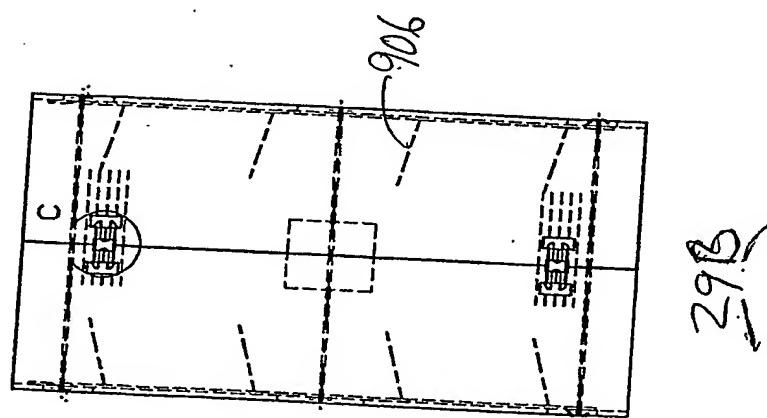
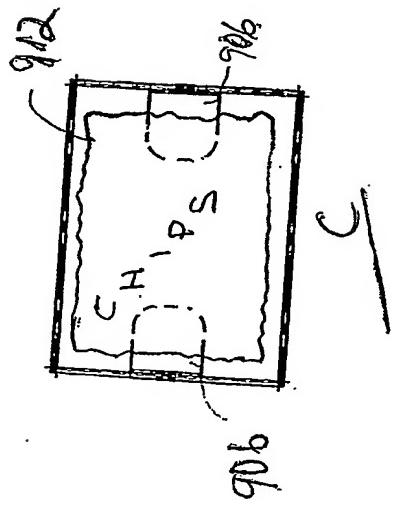
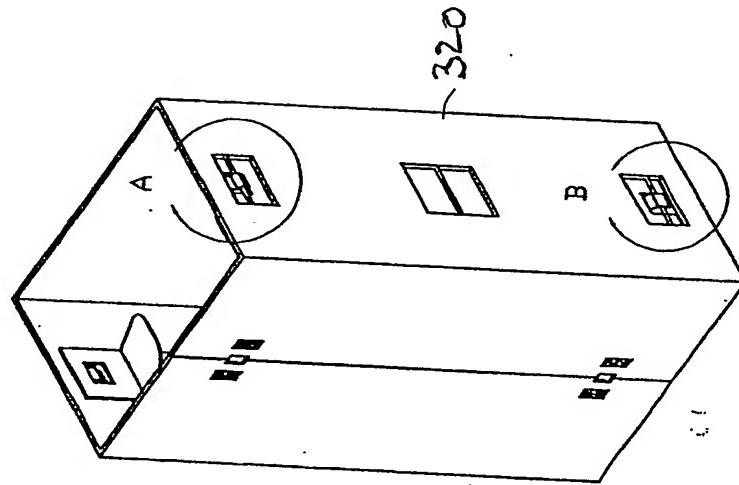
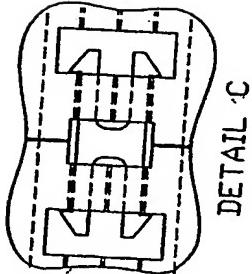
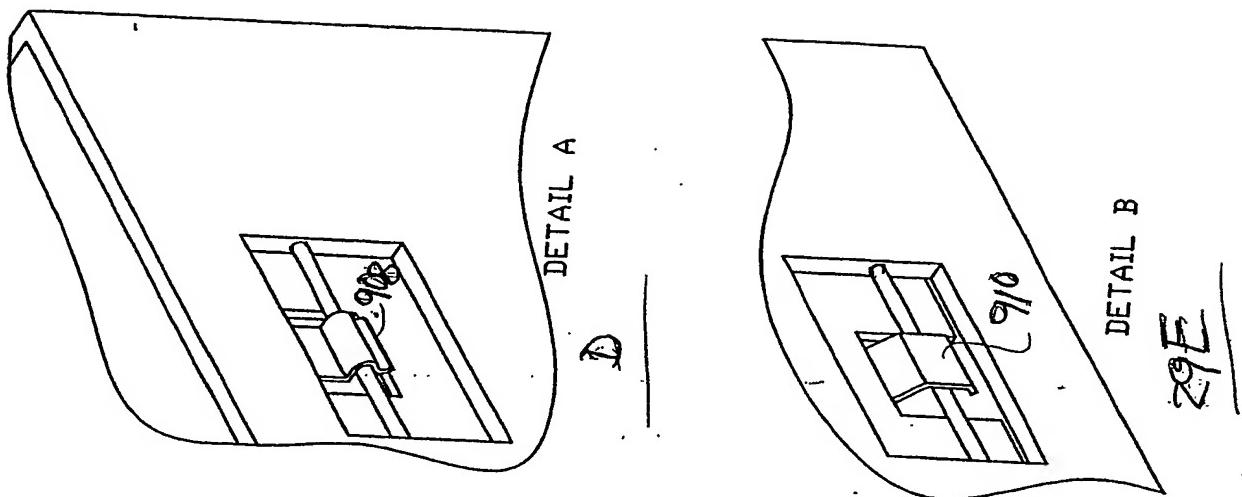


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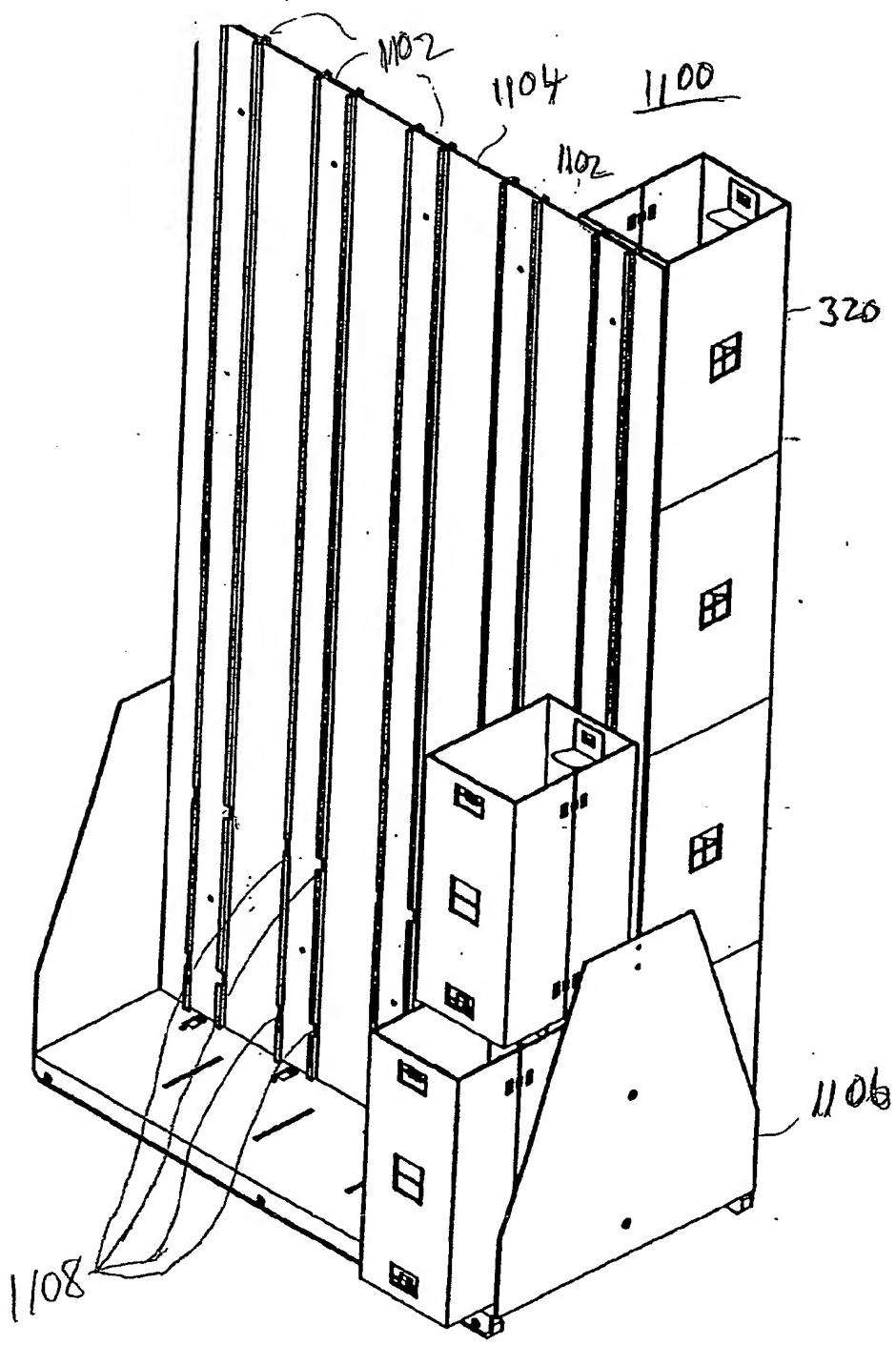
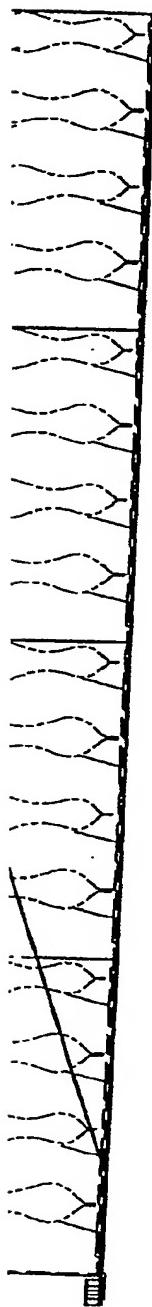


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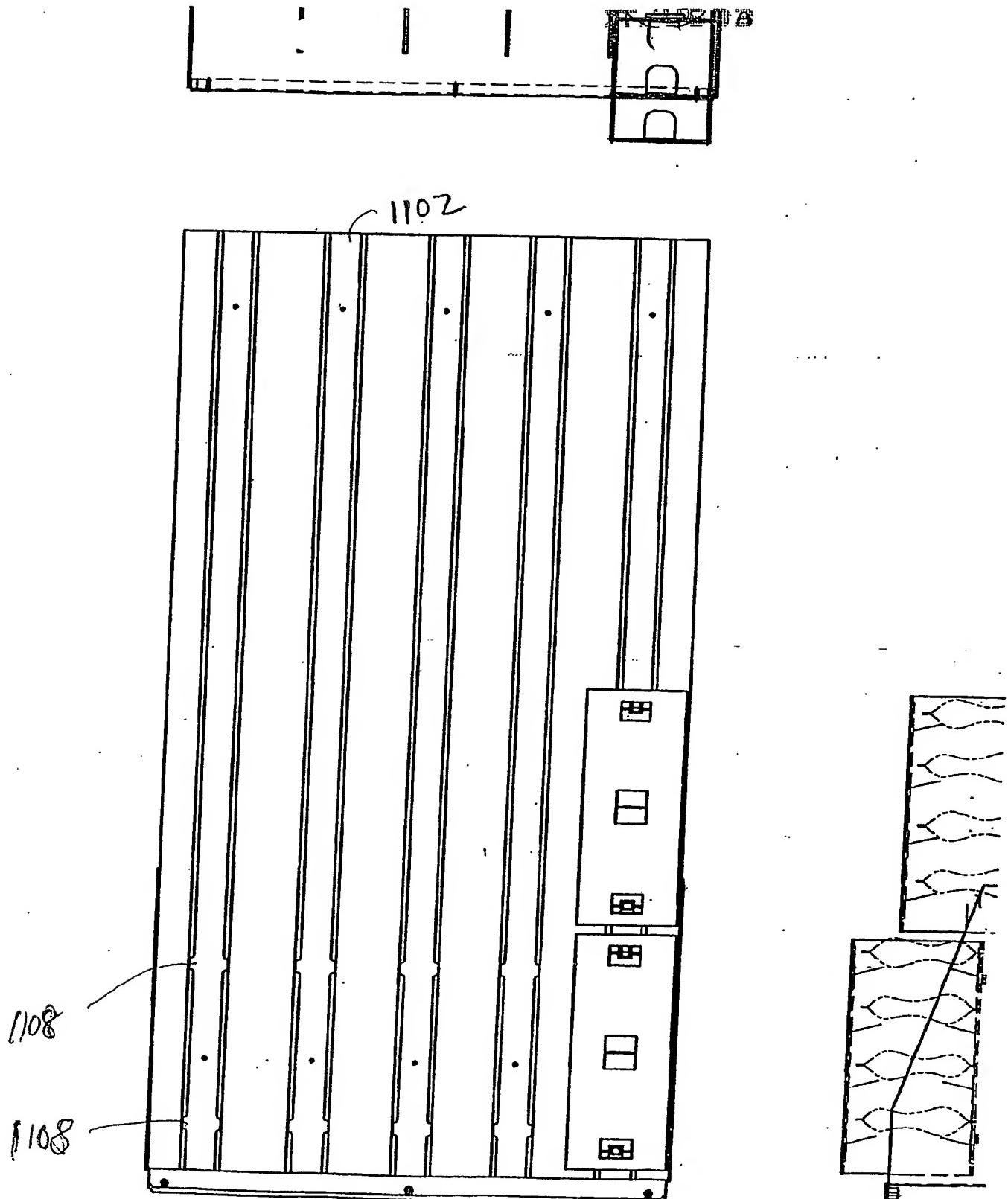
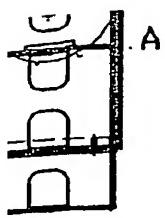
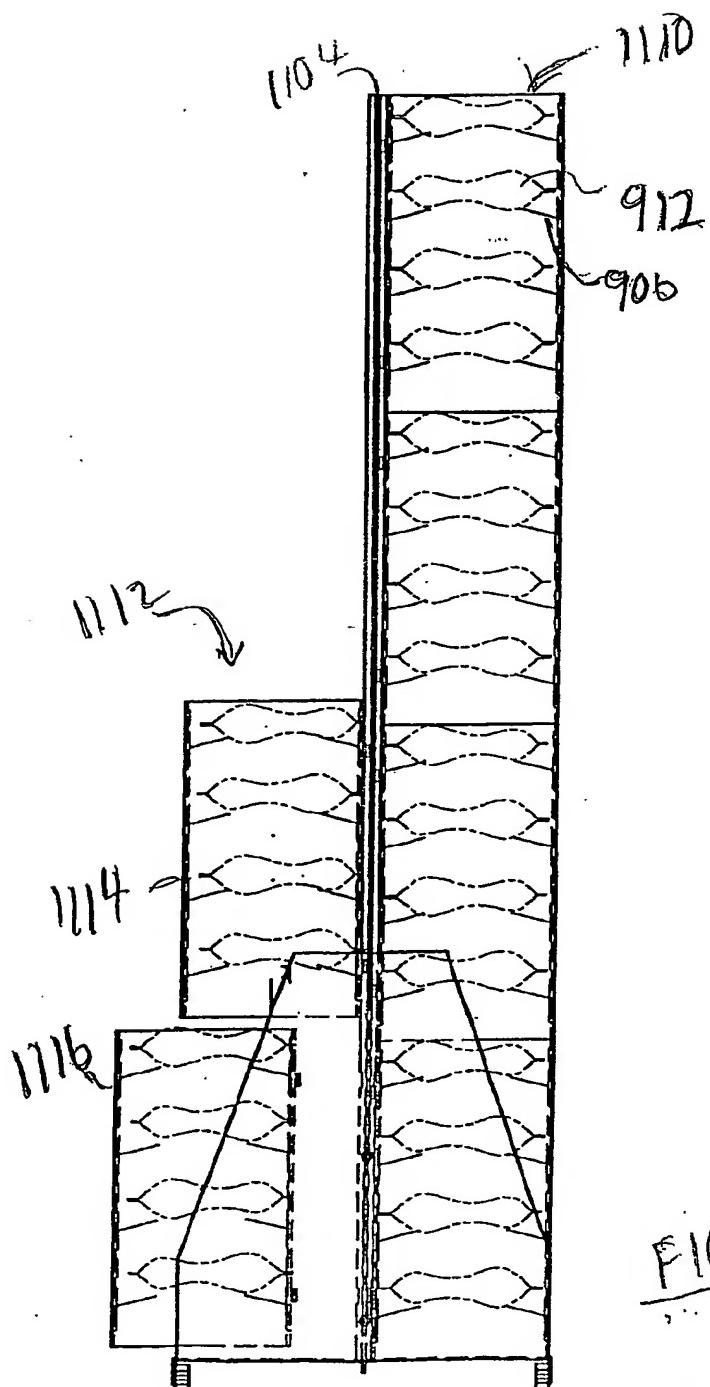
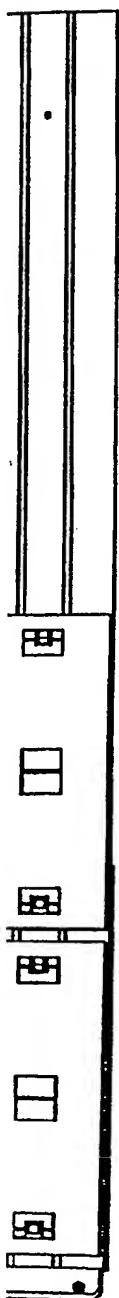


FIG 30B



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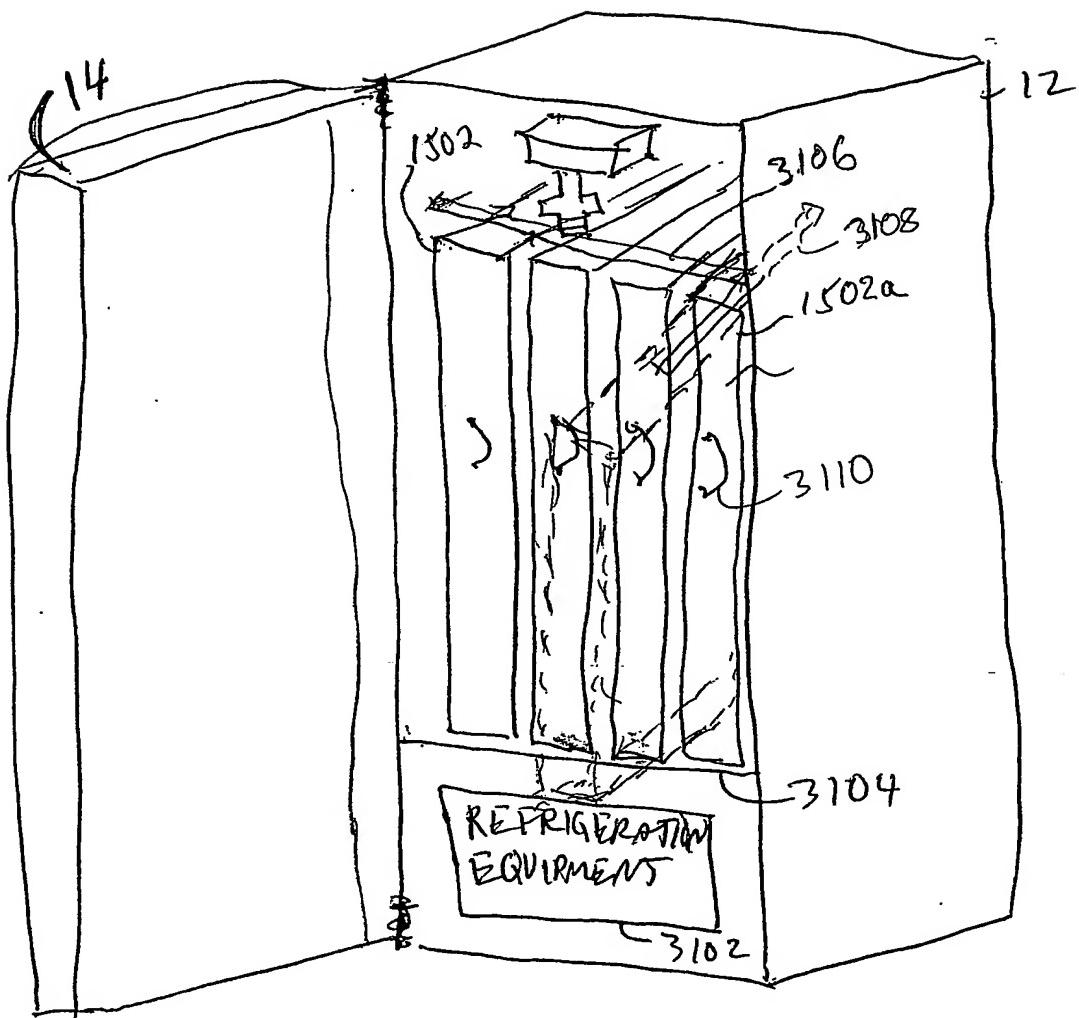


FIG. 31

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